The Mapleton Item.

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LOCAL NOTES.

—Prime clover seed, $7 per bushel at B. O'Connor & Sons'.

—Mrs. T. L. Banks, of Altoona, is visiting her parents in Mapleton.

—Large supply of nut, pea and cannel coal. Benj. O'Connor & Sons.

—Frank O'Connor has been housed for a few days with bronchial affections.

—Mrs. R. K. Potts spent a few days of the past week with friends in Altoona.

—Leave your orders for choice clover and timothy seed. B. O'Connor & Sons.

—A full line of men's, women's and children's underwear at Wright & Dell's.

—James Montgomery spent the past week with his son, J. B. Montgomery, in Altoona.

—Wanted—200 bushels potatoes; 90 cents per bushel in trade. Benj. O'Connor & Sons.

—Miss Laura M. Edgein is visiting among friends in Huntingdon and Altoona this week.

—Mrs. Wilson, an aged lady, is seriously ill with blood poisoning at the residence of Edward Brown.

—Miss Annie Conrad, of Huntingdon, was the guest of M. L. and S. B. Niece's families over Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Hohman, of Huntingdon, were guests of friends in Mapleton over Sunday.

—H. E. Dell, of Altoona, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother and other friends in this place.

—Charles Smith, who resides on the Crowley farm east of Mount Union, spent Friday afternoon in Mapleton.

—Mrs. George M. Spanogle, of Huntingdon, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Hack, in Mapleton.

—J. Duane Hicks, of Altoona, and Hyson Hicks, of Northumberland county, were Sunday visitors to Mapleton.

—Wesley Crone yesterday moved from town to the house of the Pittsburg White Sand company in Union township.

—Mrs. Ann Lamberson, widow of the late Alfred Lamberson, has been granted a pension of twelve dollars per month.

—Mrs. Hannah Miller, of Altoona, is seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of her sister, Mrs. Martha Grady, in Mapleton.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Wright, of Cass township, have returned from a visit to Mr. Wright's brothers, Jefferson and Amon, at Dudley.

—James S. Gillam, of Tyrone, spent a couple days of last week among friends and former neighbors in Mapleton. He is always a welcome visitor.

—Representatives of the Standard Oil company have leased large tracks of land in Clearfield county and will thoroughly test the same for oil and gas.

—A. S. Welch, editor of the Mount Union *Times* and a candidate for state senator, was electioneering among republican voters in this borough last Friday evening.

—Mrs S. M. Duvall and daughter, of Kipple, were Mapleton visitors Saturday at which time Mrs. Duvall concluded the sale of her property on Reservoir street to George Palmer.

—Mrs. Henrietta McDonald, one of Mapleton's aged residents, had a nervous attack last Friday and made her friends apprehensive of a stroke. Her condition is somewhat improved at this writing.

—Thomas McDonald, who for the past five years had been employed in the shops of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad company at Huntington, West Virginia, has resigned his position and at present is visiting his grandmother in this place.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Dell, of Everett, who had been visiting friends in Juniata township, arrived in Mapleton last Wednesday evening and Thursday proceeded to Cass township where they are visiting at the home of Mrs. Catharine Wright.

—Mr. and Mrs T. M. Wright, of Chicago, arrived in Mapleton last Wednesday evening and will remain some time with friends in this section. The occasional visits of these intelligent people are always appreciated by a large circle of friends.

—Joseph J. Armento spent a few hours in Mapleton last Sunday. Joe informs us that he and a friend have purchased the Franklin Hotel, opposite the post-office, Harrisburg, and will embark in the hotel business in a few weeks. Joe was on Monday granted his final naturalization papers by the Blair county court at Hollidaysburg, his first papers having been approved by the court of Ohio county, West Virginia March 3, 1890.

—Marshall Yocum is spending a couple weeks among friends in and about Pittsburg.

—Clarence Hall and family, of Huntingdon, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs Rachel Wright.

—The casing of the pier of the Fourth street bridge at Huntingdon was torn out by the high water Monday and the bridge being considered unsafe for travel the entrances were nailed up. This bridge was built in 1854 by the late Andrew Wise of Union township.

—Being crowded with work in the Altoona shops the Pennsylvania Railroad company has given twenty engines to the Baldwin locomotive works in Philadelphia for immediate repairs. More orders will follow. This is the first time the Pennsylvania has ever given out repair work.

—Emerson Chilcote, of Altoona employed as a flagman on the Pittsburg division, on leaving his home last Wednesday to go to work, slipped and fell. His head struck the post of the porch so violently as to cause him to bleed from both ears. Besides this he sustained a gash on his forehead.

—Governor Pennypacker has designated April 8 and April 22 as arbor days for 1904 in Pennsylvania. The differing dates are intended to suit different conditions of altitude and latitude, so that the planting may be feasible and successful at one time or the other in all parts of the state.

—At five minutes of 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon the big dynamite storehouse of the H. S. Kerbaugh company, in a vacant field east of Bradenville, Westmoreland county, blew up killing Patrick Quinlan, injuring fifty other persons, demolishing entire houses and breaking thousands of dollars' worth of glass in the windows of many of the buildings within a radius of four miles of the scene. The cause is unknown.

—The Petersburg Extension was put out of service Monday by high water along the Juniata river at Williamsburg. Between Franklin Forge and Williamsburg the tracks are covered by three feet of water and ice. Train 418, which leaves Hollidaysburg for Huntingdon late in the afternoon, was laid out at Williamsburg because of high water east of that town. The passengers were quartered at the Williamsburg hotel.

—John W. Fisher, of Newport, Tennessee, is spending a few days of this week with friends at Saltillo, his former home. Mr. Fisher is a Huntingdon county boy who is making an excellent record for himself in the south. He is general superintendent of a number of tanneries owned by a Philadelphia firm and has the reputation of being one of the best posted men in the business in this country. Aside from his business he occupies his spare time in active church work and is in great demand as a lay speaker.

—The annual meeting of the council of Mapleton borough was held Monday evening. The retiring members were George W. Morgan and Frank O'Connor and the incoming members George W. Wright and Frank O'Connor. A permanent organization was effected as follows: President, George W. Wright; secretary, I. N. Swope; treasurer, A. W. Swope. The last Monday evening of each month was fixed as the time for holding regular monthly meetings. A tax of six mills for borough purposes was laid for the ensuing year.

—A remarkably fast run for a freight train was made the other day over the Pennsylvania railroad lines between Washington and Gray's Ferry, a distance of 134 miles, which was covered in two hours and fifty minutes, or 179 minutes. The train was one of the fast through freights between the south and New England, known as B. T. 2, and was composed of fifteen box cars loaded with perishable freight and engine No. 5211. J. J. Martin was engineer, H. C. Marshall conductor and E. M. Davis flagman. The train was late in getting away from Washington. When once clear of the capitol city limits Engineer Martin "let her go," and came through to Gray's Ferry without a stop in the remarkable time stated. The time was but five minutes slower than that of the congressional limited, one of the fastest scheduled trains between Philadelphia and Washington. So smoothly was the run made that the train crew were somewhat surprised upon arriving at Gray's Ferry to find that they had made the run in less than ordinary express time.

—The rains of last week and the breaking of the heavy ice gorges on the Susquehanna river and at the mouth of the Juniata river have caused much trouble during the past few days to the Pennsylvania railroad at and below Harrisburg. It has been necessary for trains to take circuitous routes in order to get into Harrisburg from the east and in consequence trains on this division which are started from east of Harrisburg have been from two to five hours late. The danger is now past and with the receding of the waters the schedule time will be resumed.

—The Mystic Circle of the Mapleton M. E. church will hold a box social in the old church Saturday evening, March 12, 1904. Each lady member, or friend of the church, is expected to furnish a box containing a lunch for two and the name of the lady. During the evening the boxes will be auctioned off to the gentlemen. The purchaser having ascertained the name of the lady will invite her to eat the lunch with him. Ice cream and cake will be sold. Proceeds for the benefit of the new church fund. The patronage of the community is respectfully solicited.

More Riots.

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the Liver or Kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nervine and the greatest all around medicine for run down systems, It dispels Nervousness, Rheumatism and Neuralgia and expels Malaria germs. Only 50c, and satisfaction guaranteed by B. O'Connor & Sons.

A Contemptible Swindle.

Last Thursday Alfred Simons, undertaker, of Mount Union, was made the victim of a contemptible swindle. That morning a man representing himself as Samuel Hill, of Mapleton, called on Mr. Simons, stated that his wife had died at Mapleton, and desired to purchase a casket. After making a selection valued at sixty dollars he handed Mr. Simons a check for sixty-five dollars, receiving five dollars in change. The check was signed "Reuben D. Rohrer." The man stated to Mr. Simons that he wanted the casket at once, that he lived near the station at Mapleton, that he would have men at the the station in the afternoon to assist in delivering it and that on Friday the body would be taken to Harrisburg for burial. Thursday afternoon Mr. Simons brought the casket to Mapleton but on arrival was surprised to find no persons to receive it. After making inquiry and learning that no one of the name given lived in Mapleton he concluded he had been swindled. Inquiry of the First National Bank of Huntingdon, on which the cheek was drawn, developed the fact that Reuben D. Rohrer was not a depositor there and the check was pronounced worthless. Mr. Simons returned home in the evening.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound and well.' Everybody ought to know it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by B. O'Connor & Sons. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

Epworth League Exercises.

The following program will be rendered Sunday morning, March 13th, at 10.30 o'clock in the Methodist church of this place by members of the Junior and Senior Leagues, assisted by the choir:

Singing by the choir; opening devotional exercises; duet, Miss Pearl Neice and Robert McCarl; recitation, Miss Edna Dell; solo, Miss Blanche Palmer; recitation, Miss Myrtle Wright; duet, Misses Eva and Ruth McCarl; recitation, Gayton Swope; short address, Pastor; collection; singing by the choir and congregation; benediction.

The service is in the interest of the worn out ministers of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church. A basket collection, together with the envelopes that have been given to the Junior Leaguers, will be lifted at the service. All are cordially invited to be present and to take some part in the exercise.

Mrs. Hannah Susan Robley.

Mrs. Susan Robley, widow of the late Elliott Robley, died at her home in Mapleton at 11.45 o'clock Sunday forenoon, March 6, 1904, of infirmities of advanced age.

Mrs. Robley, whose maiden name was Clemens, was a native of Shirley township, this county, and was born December 20, 1821, hence was aged 82 years, 2 months and 16 days. August 17, 1840, she was united in marriage to Elliott Robley who died in Mapleton April 1, 1898. To them were born six sons and five daughters of whom five sons and four daughters survive. They are Mrs. Hannah Miller, John K., Elliott and Harry, of Altoona, Mrs. L. D. Himes, of Braddock, Mrs. Abram Myers, of Washington, Pa., Mrs. Martha Grady and Samuel, of Mapleton, and Marion F., of Union township.

About 1852 the family moved to Mill Creek and in 1856 to the old homestead north of Mapleton since which time Mrs. Robley has been a resident of this vicinity. For half a century she had been identified with the United Brethren church. Mrs. Robley took a deep interest in the welfare and success of her family and they in turn held her in high esteem. Her declining years were made peaceful and comfortable by their ministrations.

The remains will be interred this afternoon in the U. B. cemetery, services being conducted in the U. B. church by Rev. W. F. Gilbert.

Charles Heeter Gone to His Long Home.

After an illness of about nine months Charles Heeter, of Three Springs, died quite suddenly of consumption March 2, 1904. Although Mr. Heeter understood the nature of his disease he always hoped and entertained the thought that his health might yet be restored, and was able to still circulate among his friends. On Wednesday last he and his brother George Heeter, of Saltillo, went to Huntingdon thinking that there medical aid might be secured to prolong his life and when told his afflictions were incurable it is thought by his many friends greatly effected him and at 9 o'clock on Wednesday night after his return home realized he was dying, bade his wife and children good-bye and quietly passed to the great beyond.

Mr. Heeter was of a quiet, retiring disposition, always wore the same countenance wherever you met him and his presence will be greatly missed by his friends as well as his family who had hoped so much his life might be spared. Mr. Heeter is survived by his wife and three children—Nora, Ruth and Paul—also by one brother and three sisters. He was at the time of his death aged 29 years, 6 months and 2 days.

Funeral services were conducted in the Baptist church of Three Springs, of which he had been a faithful member for several years, by Rev. Strayer, of Saltillo, at ten o'clock Saturday, March 5th, after which his remains were laid to rest in the beautiful little cemetery at Three Springs.

Thus endeth the career of a man who was a friend of everyone. —B.

Track Walker Killed.

At an early hour last Friday morning John Lynn, of Mount Union, was run down by an empty engine and instantly killed. The accident occurred at the west end of division No. 36 in Jack's Narrows a short distance east of the Jackstown water station. The body of the unfortunate man was horribly mangled. Mr. Lynn was employed as track hand on the Mount Union division and Thurday evening was sent out to walk the tracks in place of David Hughes, the regular watchman who had reported off on account of sickness. After coming to the west end of his division he was returning on No. 4 track and seeing a train approaching on the same track stepped over to track No. 3 when the empty engine run him down. The accident was reported to the authorities at Huntingdon who had the mangled remains picked up and taken to Huntingdon and prepared for burial.

Deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lynn, of Tuscarora valley, and was aged about 23 years. He is survived by his wife and one child, also by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Sick Headache and all Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25c at B. O'Connor & Sons.

For President Judge.

The two commonly accepted Republican candidates for President Judge in this county, Thos. W. Myton and H. H. Waite, Esqs., having withdrawn from the contest, Judge Woods, of Lewistown, has registered in this county and will have no opposition, which guarantees him the district nomination.

In Judge Woods the people of the district have an able, fearless, upright judge; a man who does his full duty, without fear or favor, at all times, and the fact that he is to be continued on the bench for a full term of ten years is a gratification alike to the profession and the laity.

We repeat what the *Globe* said of Judge Woods in its issue of October 29th last, following his appointment by Governor Pennypacker:

"Judge Woods comes to the bench at a mature age, with an experience of about twenty-five years at the bar. He is a well educated Christian man, and comes from sturdy Scotch-Irish stock. He is a lineal descendant of John Knox, the founder of the Presbyterian church, and is a great-grandson of John Witherspoon, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Judge Woods was graduated from Princeton College in the class of 1876, was admitted to the bar in 1873, and ever since has been a delving student of the law and a successful practitioner. He served his county with marked ability as District Attorney and for eight years represented the people of Mifflin, Perry and Juniata counties in the State Senate. We have known Judge Woods well for nearly twenty years and can speak by the book of his pure, unselfish life, his devotion to the profession of the law, and his high talent."

—It would be well for drivers of wagons to remember that all United States mail carriers have the right of way in public highways when on duty. They cannot be driven into the ditches by heavy loaded wagons without violation of the United States mail law, and if a collision is made by so doing and the mail delayed, it will not be long thereafter until a deputy United States marshal will be looking for certain parties who will answer the roll call at U. S. court. This law applies not only when meeting a vehicle, but applies to those in front of the mail as well, when the mail makes an effort to pass.—R. F. D. News.

Public Sale Register.

Saturday, March 12, 1904, B. Frank Godard, executor, will sell at public sale the George Godard homestead, situate in Mapleton borough, comprising brick dwelling and three lots of grond each 50x150 feet. Sale to commence at one o'clock.

Monday, March 14, 1904, M. F. Lynn will sell in Smith valley, 2 miles east of Cassville and 1½ miles west of Bowman's chapel, brood mare, work horse, colt, 4 milch cows, young cattle, wagon, buggy, farming implements, harness, chains, cream separator, chickens, ducks, turkeys, hay by the ton, etc. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

Tuesday March 15, 1904, Mrs. Elizabeth Shore will sell at her residence south of the borough limits, bedstead, springs, sink, cupboard, carpenter tools and chest, sausage grinder and stuffer, books, etc. Sale to commence at one o'clock.

Tuesday, March 15, 1904, Charles I. Stever will sell at the residence of David Stever, ½ miles west of Cassville, draft horse, 2 mares, 5 mules, wagon, sleds, harness, saddle, chains, etc. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock P. M., sharp.

Friday, March 18, 1904, E. Miles Smith will sell in Trough Creek valley, 5 miles from Mapleton, 8 miles from Huntingdon, 2 span mules, work horse, 7 head cattle, 19 sheep, brood sow, chickens, turkeys, ducks, wagons, hack, sleigh, mower, all kinds of farming implements, harness, chains, corn, wheat, oats, hay, straw, apples, potatoes, shingles and household and kitchen furniture. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Rev. J. H. Hanes Resigns.

On Sunday morning Rev. J. H. Hanes, pastor of the United Brethren church, announced to his congregation that he would resign his pastorate within a few weeks, which has become necessary owing to the delicate state of his wife's health. From here Rev. and Mrs. Hanes will go to Colorado, where they will reside indefinitely. Their departure from Huntingdon is sincerely regretted. In the year and a half of Rev. Hanes' pastorate here a new church and a parsonage have been built, and the membership of the congregation greatly increased.—*Globe.*

NEWS OF THE WEEK

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has directed that a weather bureau be established in Honolulu.

The House passed the District of Columbia Appropriation bill, which carries an expenditure of a little less than $9,000,000.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs authorized a favorable report on the Adams bill, reorganizing the consular service. The measure does away with the fee system and increases the salaries of consuls at several posts, two of them to $10,000.

Secretary Hay is confined to his home by a slight recurrence of the grip.

Agnes French, the white maid who recently stole a quantity of jewelry from the apartments of Postmaster-General Payne, was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary.

The Senate Committee on Pensions authorized a favorable report on the Pension Appropriation bill, with an amendment increasing to $100 a month the pensions of veterans who are totally blind as the result of service in the Civil War.

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

The entire crew, numbering sixteen men, of the lighthouse tender Nina, have been placed in jail at San Juan, Porto Rico, on the charge of mutiny in refusing to take the vessel to Pensacola for repairs.

Del Pinar, the leading spirit of the Caribao insurrection against Spain and the United States, who was exiled to Guam, but who returned and accepted the oath of allegiance, has joined the outlaws who are defying the authority of the Government.

At a conference at San Juan between Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, and delegates of the Porto Rican labor unions, Mr. Gompers urged their amalgamation under the American Federation of Labor, and a resolution to this effect was adopted.

The battleship Wisconsin, now at Manila, in the Philippines, has beaten the world's record with thirteen-inch guns, its expert gunners having made nine bull's eyes out of ten shots fired within ten minutes.

The First Presbyterian Hospital at Porto Rico was opened at San Juan with appropriate ceremonies. The hospital cost $20,000, which was raised in New York.

The Supreme Court of Porto Rico has sustained the decision of the lower court, which sentenced to death Pedro Diaz, for shooting a man during the election riots at Humacao in August, 1902.

DOMESTIC.

From the rising of the Maumee River the floods at Defiance, Napoleon and Grand Rapids, Ohio, have increased, and many houses are within the submerged district.

Dan Cushing, who was kidnaped by bandits at a remote place in west Texas, was turned loose. He reached Delrio at midnight one night in an exhausted condition.

Two white men were killed and several negroes wounded in race riot at Bokosha, I. T.

Arthur L. Kemper, President of A. L. Kemper & Co., bankers, at Chicago, Ill., has been indicted on a charge of embezzlement of $25,000.

The jury in the case of "Lord" Frederick Seymour Barrington, on trial at St. Louis, Mo., for the murder of James P. McCann, a horseman, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

By drinking carbolic acid, John Thompson committed suicide at San Francisco, Cal.

The First National Bank, at Dundee, Ill., was authorized to resume business, its impaired capital having been more than made good.

After a strike of six weeks, 1500 locked-out carriage and wagon workers at Chicago, Ill., yielded on the basis of a four per cent. increase in wages, but at the expense of the "closed" shop.

Two postal clerks on a northbound train two miles north of Meridian, Miss., were shot and killed by a negro during an attempt to rob the train.

FOREIGN.

The French Government has requisitioned the steamer Himalaya, of 3700 tons, which will be fitted to transport troops to Indo-China.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, Liberal member of the House of Commons for the West Division of Monmouthshire, England, has announced his intention of retiring from Parliament.

One hundred bluejackets have deserted from the Spanish warship Pelayo at Ferrol, on account of the discipline. Many of them have since been captured and severely punished.

A telegram from Mayotte, Comoro Islands, says that since February 25 a volcanic eruption has been in progress on Great Comoro Island. Three craters are discharging lava.

A strike has occurred at the silk mills at Privas, France, growing out of the industrial depression consequent upon the Russo-Japanese war.

A tremendous earthquake, which did much damage, occurred at Lima, Peru. Nothing comparable with it had been experienced during the last thirty years.

It is believed that the Emperor of Germany will visit Algiers in the course of his approaching cruise in the Mediterranean.

NEWS'Y GLEANINGS.

Fifteen per cent. of the South Dakota range cattle have died of exposure this winter.

The Metropolitan Company made a proposition to build a new subway that will cost $40,000,000.

Over 2,000,000 independent telephones are reported in use in the United States at the present time.

A stubborn blaze in the American Tract Society Building in New York City did $30,000 damage.

A Baltimore insurance paper estimates the net losses to insurance companies by the great fire at $31,095,132.

One German city, Chemnitz, sold in the United States during the year 1903 $4,919,011 worth of stockings and $2,330,000 of gloves.

Striking Western Union messenger boys in Chicago, Ill., were enjoined from interfering with the receipt or delivery of messages by the company.

An explosion of flashlight photograph chemicals caused a fire and panic at the entertainment of the Strollers' Club and a disastrous crush was barely averted.

The report of the Pennsylvania Railway for 1903 showed gross earnings of $122,626,419, with net income from all sources of $27,506,507 above fixed charges.

State Banking Superintendent Kilburn, of New York, recently made public a report on building loan associations, showing that the assets had decreased $10,500,000.

The English House of Commons recently rejected a resolution to sound the other Powers on the subject of reducing armies and navies in the interest of international peace.

Mayor McClellan, of Greater New York, has invited representatives of insurance companies to confer with him on the proposed new salt water fire mains in the business district.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The late Lord Stanley, of Alderley, has left property of the value of $617,580.

Clara Morris has just finished a story dealing with the life of Illinois pioneers.

Queen Elizabeth of Roumania, known as Carmen Sylva the world over, recently celebrated her sixtieth birthday.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale, of Massachusetts, is strongly in favor of the proposition to make a natural park in New Hampshire.

Governor Alexander O. Brodie, of Arizona, went to West Point in 1866. He became a mining engineer after serving several years in the army.

W. T. Stead has broken down under the strain of publishing his new daily paper in London, and has started for South Africa for a complete rest.

General Nelson A. Miles is at the head of a syndicate which has secured large tracts of oil lands in the Osage and Cherokee nations in Oklahoma.

Senator Ankeny, of Washington, acted as interpreter the other day when a group of Yakima Indians were presented to the President at the White House.

E. Aubrey Hunt, the American artist, has just returned to Boston after spending a year in England, where he has been busy painting landscapes and portraits.

Sir Cavendish Boyle, Governor of Newfoundland, has sent $1000 to the Lord Mayor of London, this being Newfoundland's contribution to the imperial memorial to Victoria.

The grave of the German poet Heine, in the Montmartre Cemetery, Paris, is said to be visited by more persons than Zola's, which is quite near it. Of 295 cards found on Heine's grave thirty were left by English and American visitors and over 250 by Germans and Austrians.

LABOR WORLD.

Chicago Typographical Union No. 16 is to have a woman's auxiliary.

Less than one-tenth of one per cent. of railway employes in the United Kingdom get more than $14.60 a week.

The Sydney (Australia) Shipwrights' Provident Union is forty-one years old, and has a credit balance of about $10,000.

Six hundred registered trade unions in the United Kingdom are computed to have on hand something over $22,000,000.

An international labor congress at St. Louis during the World's Fair has been proposed by the central body at Milwaukee.

Membership in the Boot and Shoemakers' Union of the United States and Canada has doubled in the last two years.

The International Brotherhood of Steam Shovel and Dredge Engineers has established a national scale of not less than $125 a month for the United States and Canada.

Steps are being taken by St. Paul (Minn.) teamsters to organize a joint executive council, to be composed of the executive committees of the various team drivers' unions.

Shoemakers in Austrian factories average $4 weekly for sixty hours' work. Piece work prevails among shoemakers in small shops, and they receive $2 weekly and board and lodging.

There is a movement on foot to organize the deck hands on coast, river and sound steamers of the Atlantic coast, the new association to be under the jurisdiction of the Atlantic Coast Seamen's Union.

United Mine Workers have over $1,000,000 on deposit in Indianapolis. The carpenters have not less than $150,000, the Illinois State Union of Miners has $500,000, to say nothing of the twenty-three other State unions of miners.

STATE NEWS BUDGET.

Shot by Desperate Couple.

Accompanied by two doctors and a priest, Constable Joseph Deeghan, of Renovo, was brought to the hospital at Lock Haven mortally wounded. While attempting to arrest Sherman Jamison, near Hulings, west of Renovo, A. B. Myers and Roscoe Swartz, who accompanied Deeghan as deputies, were also shot, the former in the side and the latter in the knee, but neither wound is dangerous. These men were shot by Mrs. Jamison, and she was arrested. Deeghan had a warrant for Jamison's arrest on the charge of threatening to kill a woman. When he appeared at the door of his shanty Deeghan covered him with a pistol and Jamison threw up his hands. The officers then stepped inside the room, in which there was no light except that made by a wood fire in a stove. An instant later Mrs. Jamison rushed from another room, pressed a pistol into her husband's hands and began firing herself. Myers and Swartz were hit. Jamison dropped to the floor, and in that position shot Deeghan twice in the abdomen, inflicting fatal wounds. He was also shot in the wrist, supposedly by Mrs. Jamison, and his pistol dropped from his hands. Jamison escaped, pursued by Myers, who fired at him three times. The fugitive is now hiding in the mountains. Deeghan was carried to a railroad tower, where doctors and a priest were brought on a freight train.

She Died For Unrequited Love.

Leaving a note, in which she wrote that the man who was to marry her had tired of her, Miss Shanks, twenty-four years old, of Waynesboro, committed suicide. In the note she mentioned that she had always been good, and that, although unkind statements had been made concerning her, she always was honest and straightforward. She hoped the man who, she said, had promised to marry her—Herbert Myers, a moulder—would think of her last words after she was dead. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Sprenkle, later found her lying across her bed and frothing at the mouth. She had swallowed morphine. Doctors worked over her through the night, but without avail.

Through Roof With Broken Boiler.

By the explosion of a boiler at the Lattimer stripping at Hazelton seven men were frightfully scalded about the face and hands, and that a number of the men were not killed is little short of a miracle. The explosion occurred when the boiler house was filled with men changing their clothes prior to beginning the day's work. The boiler was an upright, and when steam began to rush out of the safety valve Frank Dougherty mounted a ladder to ascertain the cause, when, with a roar, the boiler exploded, carrying him through the roof. He was badly scalded. The explosion caused considerable damage and operations had to be suspended.

Woman Kills Insulter.

Andrew Evans, a miner, aged forty-seven years, was stabbed by Mrs. Thomas Pfoff, at the mines of the Lilly Coal Company, two miles south of Lilly. He died an hour or so later. It is said that Evans insulted Mrs. Pfoff. At any event the latter picked up a huge carving knife and plunged it into Evans' body. The man staggered to the outer air, and when found by friends was dying. The verdict of the jury empaneled by Coroner Miller held the woman and her husband for the crime.

Dog's Act Fixes the Verdict.

A dog's recognition of his master in open court, and a lawyer's pathetic plea, are responsible for the verdict rendered by a Munroe County jury at Stroudsburg in favor of Elmer Ely, of Wind Gap, accused by Joseph H. Smith of the larceny of a red and white hound that originally cost twenty-five cents and later sold for half a dollar. "Not guilty, but pay half the costs," was the verdict. The costs, not including the fees of the six lawyers engaged in the case, were $114.66.

Over Precipice With a Team.

Henry A. Semmel, of Lowhill, had a narrow escape from death, through his two-horse team sliding and rolling down a forty-foot embankment. He was on his way home from Allentown, and in mounting the hill above Haas' Creek the rear wheels commenced to slide, and the next instant horses, vehicle and driver were rolling down the embankment. When the horses were disentangled at the bottom it was found that Semmel was seriously, though not fatally, injured.

Pathetic Suicide of a Paralytic.

David Miller, a farmer living near Mercersburg, committed suicide by hanging. He has been almost helpless from paralysis since last summer. He managed to make his way to the barn with his two little sons. He told them to wait while he went to the second floor. For a half-hour the boys romped through the stable and then found their father hanging from a rafter as they ascended a flight of stairs. He was forty-seven years old, and the father of seven children.

Operatic Tenor a Suicide.

Despondent because of failing health, S. Morris Hoffman, of Cressona, three miles south of Pottsville, an opera singer of repute, committed suicide by slashing his throat with a razor at a sanitarium near Wernersville. He was a tenor of ability, and traveled through the West and Canada with a prominent opera company. He was also a descendant of the Morris family of Revolutionary fame.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Grayson College building, at Dallas, Texas, was recently destroyed by fire, causing a loss of $60,000.

The new $300,000 science building of Colorado College, at Colorado Springs, Col., was recently dedicated.

An unknown donor has given to Lawrence University $8000 to endow a chair of English Bible study.

Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal has given $20,000 to Manitoba University to enable the faculty to extend its work.

The date of the debate between Bowdoin and Amherst Colleges has been changed from March 18 to Friday, April 22.

A movement is on foot at Yellow Springs, near Xenia, Ohio, to move Berea College from Kentucky to the Ohio town.

Bryn Mawr College has just chosen a design for a seal, the principal feature of which is to be the owl, the symbol of Athena.

According to the report of the bursar of Tufts College, there is a decided falling off in the number of women students at the college.

The dissolution of Palmer University, at Muncie, Ind., has been announced, because of the failure to secure a large bequest.

President Bashford, of Ohio Wesleyan University, has been promised $40,000 to establish a chair of missions in that institution of learning.

The gift of $50,000 by John Hays Hammond, of New York, the mining engineer, for a metallurgical laboratory at Yale, has just been increased by him to $100,000.

Through the generosity of Miss Helen Gould New York University is arranging for a novel exhibit at the St. Louis Fair. The university will send a complete model of its buildings and grounds.

SPORTING BREVITIES.

The St. Louis Nationals have picked Houston, Texas, for their training ground.

Jim Jeffries is training industriously in New York in anticipation of a battle with Jack Munroe.

Thommy Warren, at one time champion featherweight of the world, died recently at San Francisco, Cal.

Theodore Coleman, the well-known Syracuse secretary, says that Rochester will hold two meetings this year at the half-mile track.

"Young Griffo" wants to go to Australia, and friends of the once great boxer may raise a purse to send him back to the Antipodes.

President Tebeau, of the Louisville Club, has announced that he will carry only sixteen men this season. Twenty-five are under contract.

The Philadelphia National League Club will lose the services of Pitcher Barry, who has been ordered to remain in Peoria for next season.

Griminger, of the Boston National League, has been secured by the Detroit American League team. Clyde Robinson has also been signed.

Harry Griffin stopped Tommy White in four rounds at Chicago. Jack Ryan only lasted two rounds with Johnny Martin in their bout the same evening.

"Jim" Robinson has been engaged as trainer at Princeton for three years, beginning on July 1. He began his work at Harvard, but went to Princeton about 885.

Courtney is confident that he can develop another strong 'varsity crew at Cornell. He has last year's powerful freshmen combination intact, besides five of last year's 'varsity.

Rowing leaders at Yale express themselves as being in favor of the new American Henley arrangements, in which Yale and Harvard will take an active part for the first time.

WORLD'S FAIR TOPICS.

Saturday, July 2, will be Amateur Journalists' Day at the World's Fair.

The St. Louis Exposition authorities have been notified that the war would not affect Japan's exhibits.

General Ben Viljoen, a Boer leader, will have charge of the Boer exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition.

The perfume woods and plants of the Philippine Islands will be shown at the World's Fair in a special collection.

The World's Fair Committee on Ceremonies has assigned October 3 for New York Day and October 12 for Michigan Day at the Fair.

Idaho will make a big exhibit of tin ore. Important discoveries of this metal, so rare in America, were made recently near Salmon City, Idaho.

Korea has withdrawn from participation in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and has officially notified the management of the Exposition to that effect.

California will install an olive factory in the California space in the Agriculture Building. The process of extracting the oil will be shown in all detail.

The Kentucky Legislature at a session voted a World's Fair appropriation of $75,000. This is in addition to a fund of $100,000 raised by the Kentucky Exhibit Association.

California's principal exhibits will be massed in the Agricultural Building. Eleven counties of the Sacramento Valley will combine their exhibits in a large parallelogram, and will display every product of the American Continent.

In making her general mining exhibit at the World's Fair Virginia will erect a house entirely from the stone quarried within the State's borders. The cost of the materials and construction of the building is estimated at $100,000.

THE MARKETS

Wholesale Prices Quoted in New York

MILK.

The Milk Exchange price for standard quality is 3c. per quart.

BUTTER.

Creamery—Western, extra	$ —	@ $	26
Firsts	22	@	25½
Seconds	17	@	21
State dairy tubs, firsts	20	@	22
Imitation creamery	14½	@	19
Factory, thirds to firsts	12½	@	15½

CHEESE.

State—Full cream, fancy	11½	@	12
Small	11¾	@	12
Part skims, good to prime	5½	@	6¼
Part skims, common	—	@	3
Full skims	1½	@	2

EGGS.

Jersey—Fancy	21½	@	24½
State and Penn	21½	@	24½
Western—Choice	20	@	20½
Southern—Choice	19	@	20

BEANS AND PEAS.

Beans—Marrow, choice	3 15	@	3 20
Medium, choice	—	@	2 20
Pea, choice	—	@	2 20
Red kidney, choice	3 20	@	3 25
White kidney	—	@	3 00
Yellow eye	—	@	2 65
Black turtle soup	2 80	@	2 85
Lima, Cal.	—	@	2 50

FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.

Apples—King, per bbl	2 50	@	3 75
Baldwin, per bbl	2 50	@	3 00
Northern Spy, per bbl	2 50	@	3 50
Ben Davis, per bbl	2 50	@	3 00
Greening, per bbl	2 25	@	3 25
Cranberries, C. Cod, per bbl	7 50	@	9 00
Jersey, per bbl	5 00	@	6 50
Strawberries, per qt	10	@	30

LIVE POULTRY.

Fowls, per lb	—	@	13½
Chickens, per lb	—	@	12
Roosters, per lb	—	@	8½
Turkeys, per lb	—	@	15
Ducks, per pair	40	@	90
Geese, per pair	1 12	@	1 62
Pigeons, per pair	—	@	35

DRESSED POULTRY.

Turkeys, per lb	12	@	18
Fowls, Western, per lb	10	@	13
Chickens, State, per lb	11	@	16
Capons, Phila., per lb	18	@	23
Broilers, Phila., per lb	23	@	35
Ducks, per lb	9	@	16
Geese, per lb	8	@	12
Squabs, per dozen	1 75	@	3 25

HOPS.

State, 1903, choice, per lb	36	@	37
Good to prime, per lb	31	@	33
Common to fair	27	@	30
Pacific Coast, 1903, choice	31	@	33
Good to prime, per lb	28	@	30
Common to fair	25	@	27

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, prime, per 100 lb	—	@	1 00
No. 1, per 100 lb	87½	@	95
No. 2, per 100 lb	72½	@	85
Clover mixed, per 100 lb	62½	@	65
Straw, long rye	1 20	@	1 25

GAME.

Snipe, per doz	1 75	@	2 00
Plover, golden, per doz	2 50	@	3 00
Grass, per doz	1 75	@	2 00
Rabbits, per pair	8	@	14

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, L. I., per bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Jersey, per bbl	2 75	@	3 25
Sweets, per bbl	1 50	@	4 00
Turnips, per bbl	1 50	@	2 00
Tomatoes, per carrier	75	@	2 00
Egg plant, per box	2 00	@	3 50
Squash, per bbl	2 00	@	2 50
Peas, per basket	1 00	@	2 50
Onions, State, per bbl	3 50	@	5 50
Conn., white, per bbl	2 50	@	5 50
Orange Co., red, per bag	1 50	@	3 00
Peppers, per carrier	1 50	@	3 50
Lettuce, per basket	75	@	2 25
Cabbages, per crate	—	@	3 00
Cucumbers, per crate	3 00	@	4 00
String beans, per crate	1 00	@	2 50
Cauliflower, per basket	1 50	@	3 00
Celery, per dozen	10	@	75
Brussels sprouts, per qt	10	@	16
Spinach, per bbl	4 00	@	6 00
Parsnips, per bbl	2 50	@	2 75
Beets, per bbl	2 50	@	3 00
Carrots, per 100 bunches	3 00	@	6 00
Kale, per bbl	1 75	@	2 00
Watercress, per 100 bunches	2 00	@	3 00

GRAIN, ETC.

Flour—Winter patents	5 20	@	5 60
Spring patents	5 30	@	5 90
Wheat, No. 1 N. Duluth	—	@	1 09⅝
No. 2 red	1 07	@	1 11
Corn, No. 2 white	—	@	58
Oats, No. 2	—	@	55
No. 2 white	—	@	57
Rye, Western	—	@	75½
State	65	@	68
Lard, city	—	@	7¼

LIVE STOCK.

Beeves, city dressed	7	@	8½
Calves, city dressed	8	@	12½
Country dressed	7	@	10½
Sheep, per 100 lb	3 50	@	5 00
Lambs, per 100 lb	5 50	@	6 20
Hogs, live, per 100 lb	5 70	@	5 75
Country dressed, per lb	5	@	7¾

BIG COINAGE IN FEBRUARY.

U. S. Mints Production Equalled That of Six Months.

Washington, D. C.—The coinage of the mints of the United States in February amounted to half as much as the entire coinage of the fiscal year 1903. The unusual activity was due to the gold coinage which was neglected last year on account of the demands on the mints for turning out a large amount of special silver coinage for the Philippine Islands.

The total February coinage was $37,100,850, of which $35,603,500 was in gold; $1,475,000 in silver, and $22,350 in five-cent pieces. For the first time in many months there was no copper coinage in February. Besides the domestic coinage the mints turned out 9,545,000 silver coins for the Philippines in February.

Good Strawberry Crop Promised.

During the past three or four years eastern North Carolina has developed into one of the most famous and successful trucking belts in the United States. The outlook for all crops is most encouraging and the truck farmers feel jubilant. The severe winter has worked little or no harm. Strawberry and vegetable shipments from this territory will begin moving about the middle of April.

A SERMON FOR SUNDAY

A DISCOURSE ENTITLED "CHRISTIANS OUTSIDE THE CHURCH"

The Rev. Robert MacDonald Expresses the View That to Be a Believer in Christ is Not Different From Being a Believer in Man.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—"Christians outside the Church" was the subject of the sermon Sunday morning by the Rev. Robert MacDonald, pastor of the Washington Avenue Baptist Church. It was the first of a series of five sermons. The text was from John x: 16: "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold." Mr. MacDonald said:

So important and many sided a subject as this must be looked at from more than one view point. Numberless are the questions to be considered. Numberless the opinions favorable and unfavorable, true and false, to be confirmed in these sermons or repudiated. Numberless the people interested in so practical and personal a question, some of whom love the church better than life; others of whom hate the church more than any other institution in existence; some who trace their loftiest aspirations, their deepest motives, their holiest desires back to her as a fond mother who lives to nourish her children with her own rich life; others who have never received the least benefit therefrom, of which they are conscious and boldly assert that little benefit to humanity ever emerged from her portals. Some go so far as to make the church synonymous with Christ's kingdom, and maintain that to be a member of the one is to be a member of the other, and consequently yield to her a fanatical reverence. Others swing clear to the other extreme and consider the church nothing better than the product of a jealous rivalry for pre-eminence over other institutions of earth, else the expression in wood and stone of overwrought sensibilities. Therefore, the monument of a most irrational superstition. While an innumerable many identify themselves with the church because they believe it to be a beneficent institution ordained of God, without which the world would be morally and spiritually impoverished, and through which the spirit is working for the redemption of humanity, in which divine strength can be had for the ills of life.

I desire that our starting point in these discussions should be in favor of religious toleration. As love is the centre of the Christian system, so must it be the motive in every church claiming to be a Christian chruch. As Christ our Master was tolerant of and charitable toward those who were not numbered among the twelve disciples and forty apostles, so must we as His followers be tolerant in thought, word, act, to those not of our number, and outside our communion. There is greater need of toleration to-day than at any previous period of the world's history. The church of to-day is more advanced than the church of yesterday. Its intelligence is greater; its light clearer; its affinity with the Holy Spirit more personal; its hold upon the cross of Christ, that power of redemptive love, sacrificing itself even unto death, stronger. The church of the twentieth century ought to be, and shame upon us if it is not, more spiritual than the church of the thirteenth century, or even than the church of the nineteenth century.

But not only in view of our superior spiritual enlightenment, also in view of our peculiarly complex state of living should we be tolerant. It is the age of differentiation and of classification. Every significant fact of life has been forced to submit to division and subdivision to an amazing extent. Look, for instance, at education. Trace it through the modern university curriculum. Contrast it with the most comprehensive collegiate institution of a century ago. You are overwhelmed with the multitudinous departments, and subdepartments and branches of instruction, and professional chairs. All these necessary, you say, to educate the youth. To adequately impart knowledge, to meet the ever increasing intellectual demand? Yes. The renaissance that called Europe from its dark ages of intellectual slumber has not yet spent its force. Measure the term medicine, or surgery with the imposing stature of the general practitioner of twenty years ago. The stature is no longer imposing. The specialist of a single bodily function is more imposing now. And for the human body the work of the one has been divided into the skill of the hundreds and each unit in the vast aggregate is more authoritative than the one. The term philosophy no longer recognizes the old vague divisions of moral and intellectual. Each division has been differentiated, and each differentiation suggests to the mind content and comprehensiveness, richer and more compact than the original classification from which it sprang. Metaphysics, theism, idealism, empricism, economics, sociology, psychology, biology, and many more are the terms now familiar to our thought. And how vast the field of consciousness covered by any one of these significant terms. Economics, a very modern term for instance postulates for us; the land question; the tenement house problem, the theory of wealth, industrial organization, all socialistic and communistic relation.

The same in jurisprudence, in commerce and trade, in everything of worth. The difference between the big department store and the little trader illustrates the idea. Yet how surprised we are that we should have wandered religiously far afield from the primitive apostolic church, with our highly differentiated credal and ritual expressions, our numerous ecclesiastical orders, our multiplicity of organization. Bless you, it only shows we are alive and growing and anxious to apply the gospel of Jesus to all sorts and conditions of men. The worldly minded claim that denominationalism is distracting and sigh for a Christian unity that will swallow up all religious divisions. But, believe me, denominationalism makes more for the glory of Christianity than for its shame. The only shame about it all is that denominationalism at times nurtures a spirit of Phariseeism that sees no God in any other division of the Christian fold than its own. It has been only a few years since the medical students of Harvard fellowshipped the aspirant for veterinary honors. The term "horse doctor" was the term of salutation. The veterinary student, as the student of dentistry, was occupied with such inferior subject matter. Yes, but necessary subject matter. So of the Angelican churches and the non-conformists of England. The one is poor stuff to the other, tolerated only at the point of taxation to support their schools. Similar intolerance was felt toword the great Booth movement in America by all the churches, because that movement ignored their cut and dried ecclesiastical methods and brought into requisition the public square and the secular hall if by any means they might save some the churches could not reach. The same intolerance is now characterizing us toward that growing, so called, Christian Science movement. When will we see the "powers for good" that are ordained of God? When will we believe that any movement, however erroneous in nineteen points of test, if adapted in its twentieth point unto the blessing of men, is worthy of our tolerance, even our sympathetic regard.

Even religious bodies quarrel among themselves in defining orthodoxy, and denominational respectability, instead of praying together for the salvation of the world. No wonder Christians outside the church pass by on the other side of the road when Christians inside the church forget the purpose of their existence. The thumbscrew, rack, fagot and stake are looked back upon as relics of a barbaric age, but their spirit still lives. Every one of the leading denominations have within ten years either persecuted, else made it very unpleasant for some intrepid thinker who saw more clearly and spoke more fearlessly than the rank and file. The Methodist Church in our leading New England city is to-day exalting the spirit of the Pharisees instead of the spirit of the Wesleys in trying to excommunicate its leading scholar, just as Presbyterianism a few years ago in persecuting its chief scholar went back dangerously near the standard of 350 years ago, raised by its illustrious ancestor, John Calvin, who in 1553 burned Servetus at the stake in Geneva for doubting the equality of the persons of "the Trinity" and the validity of infant baptism. Christ dealt more lovingly with heretics. To Thomas He unveiled His side and loved him into the necessary belief. Phariseeism, on the other hand, crucified Christ and stoned Stephen to death. Loving as brethren those within the church; tolerant as Christians toward those without is the ideal that should rule.

How refreshing to reflect upon such a passage of Scripture as that which stands at the head of this sermon. It is a plea for religious toleration and sets before us a standard of religious liberty it would be well to live up to. We are so inclined to become narrowed in our views of truth; we are so prone to live under the shelter of some creed that the vistas of truth stretching ahead of us everywhere become narrowed and hidden, and before we are aware of it the peculiar dogma we cherish or the certain fact we advocate is magnified into identification with the truth itself. There is at least danger here. Thus, how needful to be often carried out into the broad field the Gospel opens up. Look at the scene revealed here. Jesus is having another of His oft-recurring talks with the Pharisees: but, as of old, they do not understand Him. He is a fanatic, or at best, a stubborn partisan, who, while professing to lead them into larger freedom, seems only to break up their honored institutions. So this peculiar saying falls from His lips. As He speaks how precious the outlook. There He leads His followers through the old loved fields, out under the blue sky, their life and His identified, bound together by a common fidelity of truth. But even this freedom seems narrow in view of what is yet to come. These are My sheep, He says, and for them I lay down My life; but also other sheep I have which are not of this fold, and as we contemplate the words, the range of our vision is extended, the fields through which they pass widen, the visible horizon that hemmed us in lifts, the blue dome of the heavens expands until we see all truth loving souls everywhere, known by many a different name, coming in as the sheep fold opens to receive them. And we turn our steps homeward, resolving in future to be more tolerant for the Master's sake.

A few weeks ago an attendant upon our church, a lover of truth, a believer in Christ, but who had never made an open profession of religion, asked me what I thought constituted a Christian, and if I did not think it meant to be a church member, and a Baptist Church member. It was that earnest question that called forth these sermons. What constitutes a Christian? No progress can be made in our discussion until we settle that question. Is it to be a communicant of any church? Is it to subscribe to any creed? A hundred times no! All trustworthy sources make it to be a believer in Christ. What do you mean by belief in Christ? Well, what do you mean when you tell a person you believe in him, that you believe he is a good citizen, a faithful husband, a loving father? You may believe in him as all that, yet not be willing to trust him with a dollar out of your sight, or open your home to him as a friend. You honor him not most unless willing to trust him with money uncounted, your good name, the very secrets of your heart. A belief that does not express itself in confidence does not count for much. All else is cold, impersonal opinion. You must not offer Christ less than you would your friend. A belief in the historic Christ only never saved a soul, any more than a belief in Caesar or Luther or Washington, even though you believe Him as more than a teacher sent from God, more than a prophet, even the very Saviour of the world. Just as friendship is more than an intellectual opinion, even a possession of the life. Just as love, the divine essential in all true living, without much society, is a self-centred, self-circumferenced conglomeration, and the home a den, denying its own existence, is virtue of the heart instead of a secretion of the brain; so religion has its abiding place in the heart, else nowhere in the life at all.

To be a believer in Christ then is no different than to be a believer in man. Tell him whom you profess to call your friend you believe in him. When you will not confide in him, when in perplexity you seek another's counsel, and in sorrow another's sympathy, and you have insulted faith, and friendship has become in your hand an empty name. If you believe in a man trust him as all men demand you should. You say you love? Show it by loving and manifesting the self-denial love demands, else your profession is a sounding brass, an empty name, a dastardly affair.

Do you believe in Christ? Show it by a loving trust. Otherwise, you believe only intellectually, and that means you do not want to have much to do with Him. It means self first and always. And if perchance you start to follow Him from so superficial a motive be not surprised if the first time His demands conflict with your plans you turn traitor and swear you never knew the man. The test is, My sheep hear My voice and I know them and they follow Me. That is the test—to hear His voice and follow Him.

Now, what is the purpose of a church, and in how far does church membership constitute a Christian? Church membership constitutes a Christian just so far as a Christian constitutes a church member. No church, whatever its name and influence, has of itself power to make a man a Christian, unless the Roman Church, and that is only in its own estimation. We fall into one or the other of two errors: Either of thinking of Christianity as an abstraction, or as a fact identical with an organization of earth, when it is grander than both. There is no Christianity apart from the life of its founder. It is not to be born in a Christian community. It is not to be swayed by religious excitement. It is not, under the uplift of fine music, nor the tender sentiment of a keen sorrow to catch some celestial glimpse of truth, and conclude you are henceforth a religious man. To be a Christian is nothing other than Christ within you the hope of glory.

Then there is the other mistake of making the visible church identical with the reality. Indeed, symbols are important. We can never tell how much satisfaction the religious devotee receives from the picture of the Virgin or the image of the Christ. The line between the symbol and the spirit may be less attenuated than we think. More symbols may lead to more realities than we dream of. An object of sense may, however, oftener hinder access to the spirit than be a viaduct thereto. Many a person joins a church for the sake of being a church member rather than to be a better Christian. Many a person worships their church and minister rather than the Christ the church represents and the minister preaches. Being a good denominationalist is not necessarily being a good Christian, although if we are good Christians we ought to be denominationalists, and better denominationalists than we are. Denominations give form and content to Christianity which some souls would never otherwise perceive. But on the other hand, denominationalism should have no content to boast of except what the Gospel imparts. Don't think that to be a Methodist, Presbyterian or Baptist is equal to being a Christian. It may be so. It may not be so. It depends whether your denomination intensifies or materializes Christianity. You may have the form of godliness, but your very devotion to the form is a denial of the power thereof. I have in mind a member of a former church who would sooner give up Christ than his immersion and communion. His unspiritual life shows he has done that very thing. He has permitted these two sacred rites to steal away his Lord, and he knows not where they have laid him. Scriptural warrant for ecclesiastical forms is good. But no ecclesiastical form should take the place of the pure heart, the Christ spirit. Christianity is a Christ imparted divine state of life. All within the charmed circle, whether of my church or yours, or of neither mine nor yours, are my brothers because also of Christ. "Other sheep I have not of this fold." Don't forget that. Christ said it. Therefore, it must be true. There shall be one flock and one shepherd. Not one fold, as it is translated. There may be many flocks in one fold.

By and by boundary lines will fade away. We think then they will all be Baptists. The Congregationalist thinks they will all be Congregationalists. And the Methodist is sure they will all be Methodists. Ah, brother, better still, they will all be Christians. And as some saint in glory ten thousand years asks, Who are these? as they all come trooping home like tired children after the toils of the day are over, so some John will answer: "These are they who believed in the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." Who knows, Jesus Himself may say, "These are they for whom I died." These? These? These are they who came up through great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb!

Seeds That Will Grow.

The soul of man is the great masterpiece of the great Master Builder.—J. Ritchie Smith.

He is building on the sand who makes the opinion of others the ground of his conduct.—United Presbyterian.

It is a noble sight to see an honest man cleave his own heart in twain and fling away the baser part of it.—Charles Reade.

The capacity of our sorrows belongs to our grandeur, and the loftiest of our race are those who have had the profoundest sympathies, because they have had the profoundest sorrows.—Henry Giles.

Life is what we are alive to. It is not length, but breadth. To be alive only to appetite, pleasure, pride, money making, and not to goodness and kindness, purity and love, history, poetry, music, flowers, stars, God and eternal hopes, is to be all but dead.—Malthie D. Babcock.

None but the fully occupied can appreciate the delight of suspended, or, rather, of varied labor. It is toil that creates holidays; there is no royal road—yes, that is the royal road—to them. Life cannot be made up of recreations; they must be garden spots in well farmed lands.—Mrs. Gilbert Ann Taylor.

If thou canst not continually recollect self, yet do it sometimes, at least once a day, namely, in the morning or at night, examine thyself what thou hast done—how thou hast behaved thyself in word, deed and thought, for in these perhaps thou has oftentimes offended against God and thy neighbor.—Thomas a Kempis.

Development of Character.

We are left in this world, not so much for what we may do here, for the things we may make, as that we ourselves may grow into the beauty of God's thought for us. In the midst of all our occupations and struggles, all our doing of tasks, all our longings and desires, all our experiences of every kind, there is a work going on in us which is quite as important as anything we are doing with our mind or with our hands.

In the school the boy has his tasks and lessons. According as he is diligent or indolent is his progress in his studies. In ten years, if he is failtful, he masters many things and stands high in his class. Or, if he is indifferent and careless, he gets only a smattering of knowledge, with so many links missing that his education is of little practical use to him. But meanwhile there has been going on in him another education—a growth or development of character. The mind grows by exercise, just as the body does.

Then there is also a subjective moral impression, produced by the way the task is performed. If one is faithful and conscientious, truly doing his best, the endeavor leaves a mark of beauty in the life. But if one is unfaithful, indolent, false to one's self, there is left a wound, a trace of marring and blemish, a weakening of the life.—C. P. Miller.

Progress.

Many people who show a good deal of Christian zest at the start so soon get tired of being Christians. To have earnest views of Christ and to be intensely interested in them and controlled by them cannot, unfortunately, be taken as a certain sign of the continuance of that interest. The falling off, the cooling down of Christian enthusiasm is common experience.—Rev. C. H. Parkhurst, Presbyterian, New York City.

Nothing to Fear.

The Bible has nothing to fear from intelligent, painstaking and reverent criticism. Its integrity as the inspired word of God has stood every test which legitimate criticism has applied to it as well as the assaults of those who would gladly undermine its authority if they could.—Rev. J. H. Sutherland, Presbyterian, Burlington, Ia.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MARCH 13.

Subject: Death of John the Baptist, Matt. xiv., 1-12—Golden Text, Rev. ii., 10—Memory Verses, 9-11—Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

I. Herod's terrified conscience (vs. 1, 2). 1. "At that time." During the missionary journey of the twelve. "Herod." This was Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great. He was the ruler of Galilee and Perea. Thirty years before he murdered the innocents at Bethlehem. Of all the contemptible wretches of Scripture — not excluding Judas, who is in some ways a great problem—Herod Antipas is the greatest—a little, petty, disgraceful Nero, a King John of England, a bundle of petty vices. "The tetrarch." Literally, the ruler of a fourth part or district into which a province was divided; afterward the name was extended to denote generally a petty king, the ruler of a provincial district. "Heard of the fame." Antipas had one of his capitals at Tiberias, on the Sea of Galilee. He had, no doubt, heard of Jesus before, but the preaching of the twelve apostles had stirred the whole country, and His "fame" was increasing, so that it attracted anew the attention of the king. 2. "Is risen from the dead." Herod had imprisoned John the last of March, A. D. 29. Herod's conscience accused him. "And therefore." In consequence of having risen from the dead He is thought to be possessed of miracle-working powers.

II. John's faithfulness (vs. 3-5). 3. "In prison." The place of John's imprisonment and death was Macherus, in Perea, on the eastern side of the Dead Sea, near the southern frontier of the tetrarchy. Here Antipas had a palace and a prison under one roof, as was common in the East. "For Herodias' Sake." This woman was a grand-daughter of Herod the Great. She first married Herod Philip, her uncle, who was the father of Salome. Herod had put away his legal wife, the daughter of Aretas, king of Arabia Petrea, and had taken Herodias, though Philip, Herodias' husband, was still living.

4. "John said unto him." It seems that John faced the king himself with this rebuke. How bold and courageous! It is well when ministers dare rebuke the sins of politicians and those in authority. "Not lawful." Because, 1. He had put away his legal wife. 2. He had induced Herodias to forsake her husband. 3. Herodias was the niece and sister-in-law of Herod and the Mosaic law (Lev. 18: 12-14) had been violated. St. Luke adds (3-19) that Herod was also reproved "for all the evil which he had done." "To have her." To marry her. The force of the original bears out this interpretation.

5. "When he would." Although he was willing. From Mark we learn that Herodias was eager to kill John, while Herod, partly from an interest in his preaching and partly from fear of his prisoner, refused to take away his life. "Feared the multitude." The preaching of John had had a powerful effect on the masses, and Herod was restrained from acts of violence because of public sentiment. Mark also tells us that Herod knew that John was a just and holy man. This makes the king's sin all the more glaring and heinous, and from this we see that holiness and justice command the respect even of sinners. When Herod heard John preach "he did many things and heard him gladly" (Mark 6: 20).

III. Herod's birthday festivities (vs. 6-8). 6. "Birthday was kept." This was done, probably at the Macherus palace with great display. Herod made a great feast for his lords, high captains and the chief persons of Galilee. The nobility of Galilee were obliged to come some distance to attend the festivities. "Daughter—danced." Female dancers in the East are a customary part of great entertainments. On this occasion the dancer was of high birth, being no other than the Princess Salome, daughter of Herodias and Philip. They who glide into the dissolute dance glide over an inclined plane, and the dance is swifter and swifter, wilder and wilder, until, with the speed of lightning, they whirl off the edges of a ruined life into a fiery future. "Pleased Herod." They were probably half intoxicated, reclining at the tables, as their custom was. The infamous saloon system of to-day is only a remnant of the ancient revels that were so vile and corrupting in their effects. And yet the saloon is licensed, and thus permitted and protected by law!

7. "With an oath." It is always wrong to foreswear ourselves by promising to do or to keep secret what has not, as yet, been disclosed to us. "Whatsoever she would ask." Mark adds (6: 23), "Unto the half of my kingdom." Herod was ready to surrender half his kingdom for the pleasure of witnessing the performance of a lust-creating pantomime!

8. "Instructed." The vile Herodias saw that the hour had come for her to accomplish the fiendish deed she had so long meditated upon. "Mother." What a mother! Leading her own daughter into the vilest of crimes. "Give me here." She hastens (Mark 6: 25) to have the deed perpetrated while the revel is on, probably in the night. "In a charger." On a large platter.

IV. A foul deed committed (vs. 9-12). 9. "Sorry." His conscience was not entirely dead, and he was worried and troubled. "For the oath's sake." He cared more for his oath than his conscience, or John, or his God. He could murder, but he must not break a wicked oath that he never should have taken. There are many to-day who, for the sake of an oath which has no legal or moral binding upon them, will violate their consciences and imperil their soul's interests. "Which sat with him." He was afraid of offending the great men of his kingdom. A slave to public opinion. "To be given." Note the steps that had led Herod to this: 1. Rejecting the truth. 2. Continuing to indulge in his sins. 3. A drunken feast; liquor is responsible for untold crime and misery. 4. An immoral dance; dancing can but result in sin. 5. A wicked oath, which never should have been taken, but, once taken, should have been broken immediately. 6. His fear of the people.

10. "Beheaded." But his prisoner was ready. John is not the only one who will be beheaded if the truth is upheld. Let any man to-day take his position against the evils in society, and, socially, his head will roll into the basket; if he takes his position against evils in the church, not infrequently will his head come off ecclesiastically; if he opposes the corruption in politics, he will be beheaded politically. 11. "She brought it." What a present.

12. "His disciples." John's disciples. "Took up the body." It had been thrown out, and they buried it as the last kindness they could show to one they loved. Sorrow then brought them to Jesus. Antipas and Herodias were afterward banished by the Roman Emperor to Lyons, in France, where they passed the remainder of their lives in disgrace.

Luxury is the nurse of lust.

VLADIVOSTOK BOMBARDED

Five Battleships and Two Cruisers Shelled the City.

NO REPLY FROM BATTERIES

Japanese Squadron, Consisting of Five Battleships and Two Cruisers, Fire at Long Range, and After Forty-five Minutes Retire to Askald Island—Warships Covered With Ice.

St. Petersburg.—A dispatch was received at the Admiralty, saying that five Japanese battleships and two cruisers approached Vladivostok from Askold Island, steaming toward Ussuri Bay. When opposite Patrochis and Sotol Bays they took up positions for battle and opened fire with all their guns at long range.

The Japanese squadron was at a safe distance, about eight versts (five miles and a quarter), from the shore. Their fire was directed against the forts and shore batteries. The town was not damaged.

Most of the 200 shells fired failed to explode, although charged with lyddite. The Russian batteries, on which were Commandant-General Voronetz, Brigadier-Commandant-General Artamenoff and other military authorities, did not reply.

The bombardment lasted fifty-two minutes. When the firing ceased the enemy retired in the direction of Askold Island. At the same time two torpedo boat destroyers made their appearance near Askold Island and two others near Cape Maidel. The enemy's ships were covered with ice.

The attack cost the enemy over 200,000 rubles. Most of the shells fired were from six and twelve-inch guns. The population of Vladivostok had been warned in the morning by sentinels on the lookout that a bombardment was probable, and had been notified that the Japanese squadron had appeared on the horizon.

The people remained tranquil during the firing. It is said that several Chinese in the town were hit.

Advices from Vladivostok say that the 2500 Japanese troops, who landed at Plaksin Bay, on the east coast of Northern Korea, are advancing toward Musang, 218 miles from Wonsan, with the intention of ultimately reaching Hunchun, on the left bank of the Tumen River, about a hundred miles west of Vladivostok, and threatening the Russian flank.

In order to checkmate this move the Russian outpost, 1500 strong, which crossed the Tumen, is advancing to occupy Koyryeng, on the Tumen, a walled city, commanding the trails along which the Japanese must pass.

PRISON DUEL TO THE DEATH.

Colored Convicts Stab and Slash Each Other in Their Cell at Trenton.

Trenton, N. J.—Two colored convicts, Elmer Durant and Henry Jones, engaged in a quarrel at the State prison and Durant was killed and Jones was severely injured. The men were employed in the laundry and had hardly been returned to their cell when they began a fight, Durant being armed with a penknife and Jones with the blade of a pair of scissors.

Jones received a number of ugly cuts, but succeeded in stabbing his opponent six times with the scissors blade.

Durant died in half an hour. Jones is in the prison hospital in a critical condition due to loss of blood. It was necessary to amputate his hand. There had been some ill feeling between the two men. Durant was serving a ten-year sentence from Hudson County and Jones was a seven-year man from Union County.

SIX KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK.

Broken Bridge Threw Train Into Creek —Bodies Seen Under Water.

Wellsville, Ohio.—Six men were instantly killed and four others seriously injured by the breaking of the bridge across Yellow Creek at Hammondsville, on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad. The dead: J. P. Maas, engineer, Wellsville; Thomas Powell, extra fireman, East Liverpool; J. Henderson, fireman, Wellsville; George Phillips, conductor, Wellsville; C. King, brakeman, Wellsville; J. J. Kounts, brakeman, Wellsville.

Two engines drawing two cabooses and carrying a part of a crew that had been at work in the vicinity of Salinaville repairing washed out bridges and culverts were returning to the Wellsville shops when the bridge, weakened by the floods, gave way and precipitated the train into the raging waters.

MURDERER RINGS UP SHERIFF.

Telephones His Confession While Standing Over Body of His Victim.

Yorkville, Ill. — Standing over the body of his victim, Carl Nylen called up the Sheriff on the telephone and confessed to having murdered George Pearce, a wealthy farmer.

The murderer is in the Kendall County jail. Mrs. Nylen had been acting as Pearce's housekeeper for some time. Jealousy is believed to have been the cause of the crime.

Siam Recognizes Panama.

Phya Akharaj Varadhara, the Minister of Siam, called at the State Department and notified Secretary Hay that his Government had recognized the Republic of Panama.

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For Congress.

Elsewhere in this issue of the ITEM Carl M. Gage, general manager of the Huntingdon & Broad Top Railroad, is announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congressman from this district. It seems unnecessary to make favorable comment on Mr. Gage's candidacy as the fact that he is an integral part of one of the most successful enterprises of the district is of more weight than a volume of words. When it is considered that much of the success of this enterprise is due to his sagacity and skillful management then is the fact intensified. Mr. Gage is a man who by necessity has kept in close touch with conditions in the financial and industrial world and especially as such conditions may effect business in this section of Pennsylvania and has, in consequence, an unclouded knowledge of the needs and requirements of the people. His direct transactions with the mining, manufacturing, agricultural and transportation interests gives his opinions on these subjects the stamp of authority. Such being the case we doubt if a more suitable candidate for Congress could be found in this county. His endorsement for the position should be practically unanimous. Aside from his business connections and business qualifications Mr. Gage's financial ability has been recognized in his unsolicited election as a director of the First National Bank of Huntingdon. As a broad-minded citizen, a dignified gentlemen, or as a social companion, he measures up to a high standard, and he would represent this district with credit to himself and honor to his constituents.

ORBISONIA.

Stormy March has put in some apearance of spring.

William Crum spent a night in Petersburg last week.

The spring term of Rockhill normal will open on the 18th of April.

Harvey Shaffer, of New Grenada, made a business trip to Orbisonia recently.

Peter Fleck, of Rockhill, expects to move to Mount Union in the near future.

Mrs. Eliza Kough, of Saltillo, visited Mrs. Crum and Mrs. Locke on Water street last week.

Mrs. George Noggle, of upper Water street, has been confined to the house with sickness since last November.

Miss Verna Roher, of Huntingdon, visited her aunt, Mrs. Jesse Rupert, of Ridgley street, a couple days last week.

Rev. Bower preached an able sermon to an attentive audience in the Baptist church of this place Sabbath evening last.

Maclay Blake, son of Mrs. Eliza Blake of Rockhill, died Sunday night about nine o'clock after a lingering illness of lung trouble.

Mrs. Lizzie Rupert visited her parents near Selea over Sabbath, also her brother S. E. Roher who is very much afflicted with rheumatism.

Walter Moore, who has a meat market in Robertsdale, came down home on a special Sunday evening and returned on Monday. Walter says he likes the miners' town all right.

S. Harklerode, of Rockhill, expects to return to Everett the first of April. We are sorry to lose them from our midst. The family have made many friends since coming here over a year ago.

There is talk of the Rockhill furnace being closed out in a few weeks. We are hoping the report will prove to be false. There are a number of men here depending on this company for work.

The series of meetings now in progress in the M. E. church of this place still grows in interest. Many souls are at the altar each night seeking the pearl of great price. May the good work go on until there shall be none left to advocate the cause of satan, the wicked one.

TROUGH CREEK.

Wm. Prough's house burned last Saturday with the entire contents, except the bureau, sewing machine and a part of the clothes on one bed.

W. H. Ayer, of Calvin, who is ordinarily a pleasant gentleman to meet, is doubly so of late, all on account of a present from that nice little wife of his. It's a girl.

If it takes three auditors and a clerk thirty-two days at a cost of $384 to audit the accounts of Huntingdon county for one year, how long would it take the same gentlemen and what would be the cost to audit the accounts of the Pennsylvania railroad for one year.

Having been well acquainted with Colonel John S. Bare for over twenty years I can heartily endorse the working man in the opinion of the colonel. I have not spoken to him during this campaign but that is just because we have not met each other. He is always the same "Johny" Bare whether a candidate or a private citizen he sees and greets his acquaintances just the same, and further there is no deception in him, you always know where he is at.

The institute at Harmony chapel, arranged by Misses Mabel and Carrie Swope, was a grand success. The little ones did nobly and the teachers present from other districts acquitted themselves creditably as did also Profs. Rudy, Dell, and Boyer. Last but by no means least was the very able address by Dr. Hamilton. That part of the Dr.'s talk refering to the importance of vaccination and the danger of an epidemic of that dreaded and loathsome disease, smallpox, deserves especial mention. At the close of the doctor's talk Prof. Rudy wisely suggested that the Dr. prepare an article for publication on the disease. When this is done I hope every paper in the county will copy the same and that every person in the county will heed the advise and act wisely. I have heard the Dr. complimented in the highest terms for the warning that he gave in regard to the danger of wintergreen after the death of our friends Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Greenland's child, and I speak for a careful reading and studying of the article that is forthcoming.

THREE SPRINGS.

Our creeks are very high owing to so much rain.

Arthur Hockenbery and wife, of Pitcairn, spent Saturday and Sunday in town.

Mrs. Malissa Hockenbery, daughter and son will leave for Lewistown this week.

Miss Mary Shumaker, of Hustontown, spent last Sunday night with her friend, Miss Edwinna Stevens.

Archie Querry and two daughters, of Rockhill, spent Sunday at the home of their cousin Ethel Wathen.

Charles Heeter, of below town, died on Wednesday night last of consumption, after an illness of nine months.

Mrs. Clemma Noble and little son Harold, of Mt. Union, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Rachel Heck.

Miss Grace Myers, who has been spending some time visiting here, returned to her home in Lewistown last Thursday.

Herbert Norris, of Saltillo, has purchased the property belonging to Mrs. Ada Waite in this place and will move soon.

Charles Alloway, Mrs. Minnie Stevens, Margaret Chilcote, Mrs. Dr. Bernheart, Isaac Bratton and Merle Stewart, are all ill at their respective homes in this place.

Edgar and James Hudson, Jesse Wagner wife and son, Royer Heeter, Clay Weight and Albert Wilson and wife, all of Pitcairn, were called home to attend the funeral of their cousin, Chas. Heeter.

The meeting in the M. E. church is still in progress. Although their has yet been no seekers we believe that every member of the church has been greatly benefited, The song service each evening is being much enjoyed by all. On several evenings we have been favored with a duet rendered by Beulah Starr (soprano), Ada Stevens (alto). We hope that there may yet be much good accomplished.

CASSVILLE.

Miss Edith Norris visited friends in Cassville last week.

The children of John Wilson have been quite ill with measles but are some better.

Recent visitors were B. F. Mierley, Wm. Swope, Dr. Heaton and James McClain.

Miss Anna Horton has purchused the Shuman property and will take possession April 1st.

Miss Emily Williams is a guest at the Methodist parsonage. She is a sister of Mrs. Strain.

Dr. Hamilton attended the institute at Harmony on Saturday. He reports a fine program, bright music and plenty of talent.

C. T. Evans was in town Saturday placing a new desk 'phone at central office. This is certainly an advance in the telephone line.

Mrs. Sallie Curfman has been quite ill for some time but is slightly better. She is 92 years of age and is a remarkably well preserved woman.

Andrew Johnson, of Burnham, was called home on Friday morning. He had been sick for some time and was waiting for the summons to a better home than this, where there is no sorrow and no pain, so he was ready when the death angel came. His sister, Mrs. Kate Shaffer, of our town, has the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

A large crowd attended the funeral service of Mrs. Ella Pheasant at Bowman's chapel on Sunday. The discourse was delivered by Rev. Gilbert and was eloquent and logical. She was a young and attractive woman but was willing to die, and said, "God's will be done." She leaves a husband and two little boys to mourn her loss. Her mother, Mrs. Lynn, and her sisters and brothers have the sympathy of the community.

TODD.

Henry Stuller smiles and says, "There are two and they are both boys."

Mrs. Lillian Cooper, of Saxton, spent a few days with her parents in this place.

William Wilson, of Johnstown, visited friends in the valley a few days of last week.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress at Trough Creek for the last two weeks closed last Sunday night.

Frank Scott, of Johnstown, made a business trip to our valley. He was looking after the interest of his farm which he purchased some time ago from H. D. Taylor.

On the first day of this month there was a strange scene at the breast of the Beavertown dam which was a curiosity to see. The rain that had fallen had swollen the creek to such an extent that where the water poured over the breast of the dam it foamed up like soapsuds, and was forced out around on the ice and ground about the size of a large garden and fifteen or eighteen feet high and so light that the wind would wave it in all shapes, and sometimes lift great bunches and carry it quite a distance. We have not heard the cause but it was a curiosity to see.

LATTA GROVE.

M. A. Bowman has moved into his new house on the A. Luther Smith farm.

H. B. Dell, Lloyd Dell, Mertie Querry, and Melvia Dell attended the institute at Calvin last Saturday.

Isaac Dell was to Tyrone on Monday.

George D. Lynn expects to secure employment as stone mason at Mapleton the coming summer.

Hares valley creek is high as a result of the heavy rains of Sunday night and Monday. Several bridges in this vicinity were submerged while the water was at flood tide.

Bert Chilcote, employed at Burnham, has been at the home of his mother in Smith valley for several days. He has been ill for some time but at this writing is somewhat improved.

Death of Ella M. Pheasant.

Ella M., wife of Harry B. Pheasant, died at her home in Smith valley Tuesday, March 23, 1904, aged 25 years, 11 months and 3 days. The deceased had been ill for the past two years and although she knew for the last year that she could not recover she bore her suffering with patience and Christian fortitude, and when the last day came to her she was ready to go. She leaves a sorrowing husband and two little boys—Otis, aged 7 years, and Ellis, aged 5 years—also her mother, Mrs. Mary Lynn, and the following brothers and sisters: Geo. D. and Michael Lynn, of Latta Grove, Ellis, of Grapeville, Mrs. Geary Cornelius, of Cassville, Mrs. H. A. Monihen, of Latta Grove, Mrs. Minnie Monihen, of Mapleton, and Alberna and Rety, who are at home with their mother.

The funeral service was held at Bowman's chapel Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. W. F. Gilbert, of Mapleton U. B. church.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber,
Dear one, in thy grave so low;
Thou no more shall join our number,
Thou no more our sorrows know.

Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life has fled;
And in heaven with joy to greet thee,
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Huntingdon. W. H. BOGGS.

CONGRESS—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Congress, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention and the conference of the 17th Congressional district.
Huntingdon, Pa. CARL M. GAGE.

PRESIDENT JUDGE—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for President Judge, subject to the decision of the Republican convention of Huntingdon county and the conference of the 20th Judicial District.
Lewistown. JOSEPH M. WOODS.

STATE SENATE.—I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination for the State Senate, subject to the result of the ensuing primary election. JNO. S. BARE.
Huntingdon, Jan. 11, 1904.

STATE SENATE.—I hereby announce myself a candidate for State Senate, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries and District Conference. A. S. WELCH.
Mount Union, Pa.

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Morris township.

LEGISLATURE.—To the Republicans of Huntingdon county: I hereby announce my candidacy for the Legislature, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention. S. G. RUDY.
Huntingdon, Pa.

ASSEMBLY.—I hereby announce myself a candidate for Assembly, subject to the Republican convention.
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Millerst'wn	. .	9 14	f12 45	. .	. .	6 32	f11 34
Thom's't'n	. .	9 25	f12 53	. .	. .	6 22	f11 42
Port Royal	f4 13	9 43	f 1 07	. .	f4 22	6 59	f11 57
Mifflin	. . 4 18	9 48	1 11	. .	4 27	7 05	12 01
Lewist'n Jc.	4 40	10 14	1 30	. .	4 46	7 28	12 22
McVeytown	f5 02	10 39	1 48	. .	J5 04	7 52	. .
N. Hamilt'n	f5 21	11 01	f 2 04	. .	. .	8 12	. .
Mt. Union	f5 27	11 07	2 08	. .	5 25	8 18	. .
Mapleton	f5 33	11 13	f 2 14	. .	. .	8 25	. .
Huntingdon	5 50	11 32	2 29	. .	5 44	8 43	. .
Petersburg.	f6 07	11 47	2 43	. .	. .	8 57	. .
Birm'gham.	f6 35	12 13	3 07	. .	H6 14	9 19	. .
Tyrone	. . . 6 42	12 20	3 12	. .	6 19	9 25	. .
Bellwood	. . . 7 07	12 41	3 29	. .	6 37	9 42	. .
Altoona	. . . 7 30	1 00	3 45	. .	6 55	10 00	. .
Pittsburg	. . 12 10;	50	8 45	. .	10 45	1 50	. .
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.

"J" stops on signal to discharge passengers from Harrisburg and east and south of Harrisburg.

"H" stops on signal to let off passengers from points east and south of Harrisburg, and to take on passengers for Pittsburg and beyond.

Additional trains leave Harrisburg for Altoona and Pittsburg as follows: 1.35, 2.41, 11.45 a.m., 12.55, 2.53, 3.05, 7.20, 9.48, 11.05 and 11.55 p. m. daily.

	Week days. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly P.M.
Pittsburg	. . .	3 00	3 00	8 00	. .	12 45	4 55
Altoona	. . 5 00	6 25	7 05	11 43	1 50	5 55	9 05
Bellwood	. f5 12	. .	7 20	m11 55	2 04	6 10	9 19
Tyrone	. . 5 24	6 47	7 38	12 06	2 20	6 27	9 33
Birm'gham	f5 28	. .	7 43	g12 10	2 25	6 32	P9 38
Petersburg.	f5 46	. .	8 07	. .	2 48	f6 56	. .
Huntingdon	5 57	7 17	8 20	12 37	3 02	7 10	10 12
Mapleton	. . f6 11	. .	8 36	. .	3 19	7 24	. .
Mt. Union	. f6 17	. .	8 42	m12 56	3 26	7 29	f10 32
N. Hamiltonf6 22		. .	8 46	. .	3 32	7 34	. .
McVeytown.	6 40	. .	9 05	m1 16	3 53	f7 51	. .
Lewist'n Jc.	7 00	f8 05	9 27	1 35	4 18	8 10	11 16
Mifflin	. . . 7 22	. .	9 48	m1 52	4 42	8 30	f11 37
Port Royal	. 7 27	. .	9 52	. .	4 48	8 34	. .
Thom's't'n	. 7 42	. .	10 08	. .	5 07	f8 48	. .
Millerstown.	7 51	. .	10 18	. .	5 17	f8 57	. .
Newport	. . 8 00	. .	10 28	. .	5 29	9 05	. .
Duncannon	. 8 27	. .	10 52	. .	5 57	f9 29	. .
Marysville	. 8 44	. .	11 07	. .	6 15	f9 43	. .
Rockville	. . 8 48	. .	11 12	. .	6 22	f9 48	. .
Harrisburg	. 9 00	9 30	11 25	3 10	6 35	10 00	1 00

	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.
Baltimore	. 12 15	12 15	*3 11	6 00	9 45	2 20	7 15
Washington	1 20	1 20	*4 20	7 15	. .	3 30	8 30
Philadelphia	11 48	12 17	*3 17	6 23	10 47	4 23	4 23
New York:							
Desb's St.	. 2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	. .	7 13
Cort'dt St	. 2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	. .	7 13
W. 23d St	. 2 15	3 00	*6 00	9 40	. .	. .	7 15
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.

Additional trains leave Pittsburg for Altoona, Harrisburg, and Philadelphia as follows: 3.35, 7.15 and 7.30 a. m., 12.01, 4.50, 7.10, 9.00 and 10 00 p. m. daily.

*Week days only. "g" stops to let off passengers from Pittsburg and beyond, and to take on passengers for Harrisburg and beyond. "f" stops only on signal, or notice to agent or conductor, to receive or discharge passengers.

"m" passenger section will stop on signal to discharge or receive passengers.

"p" stops to discharge passengers from East Liberty, Pittsburg and beyond.

Connecting trains leave as follows:

At Lewistown Junction—For Sunbury 7.30 a. m. and 3.00 p. m. week days.

For McClure 7.30 a. m., 3.00 and 6.10 p. m. weekdays.

For Milroy 7.40 a. m., 1.50 and 4 50 p. m. week days.

For Reedsville 7.40 a. m., 1.50, 4.50 and 5.25 p. m. week days.

At Huntingdon—For Bedford and Cumberland 8.35 a. m. and 5.55 p. m. week days. Bedford only 8.35 a. m. Sundays.

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For Bellefonte and Lock Haven 8.10 a. m., 12.25 and 7.00 p. m. week days. 8.10 a. m. Sundays.

For Scotia 7.50 a. m. and 2.50 p. m. week days.

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On and after Monday, June 29, 1903, trains will arrive and depart as follows:

SOUTH Expr's A M	SOUTH Mail P M	STATIONS	NORTH Mail A M	NORTH F. Line P M
8 35	5 56	. Huntingdon .	11 10	5 15
8 45	6 05	McConnellstown	11 00	5 05
8 50	6 09	. . Grafton . .	10 56	5 00
8 55	6 14	. Brumbaugh .	10 51	4 55
8 59	6 18	. Marklesburg .	10 47	4 51
9 06	6 25	. . Entrikin . .	10 40	4 44
9 11	6 30	. . . Beaver . . .	10 35	4 39
9 16	6 35	. . . Cove . . .	10 30	4 34
9 27	6 46	. . . Saxton . . .	10 20	4 23
9 31	6 50	. . . Clark . . .	10 15	4 18
9 39	6 58	. Riddlesburg .	10 08	4 11
9 44	7 02	. . Hopewell . .	10 04	4 07
9 56	7 10	. . . Cypher . . .	9 56	3 59
10 07	7 19	. . Tatesville . .	9 46	3 50
10 17	7 27	. . Everett . .	9 38	3 43
10 20	7 30	. . Mt. Dallas . .	9 35	3 40
10 43	7 50	. . Bedford . .	9 15	3 20
11 35	8 35	. . Hyndman . .	8 28	2 30
12 05	9 05	. Cumberland .	8 00	2 00

Sunday train leaves Huntingdon at 8.35 a. m. and returning 5.30 p. m.

SHOUP'S BRANCH.

SOUTH Expr's A M	STATIONS	NORTH Expr's P M
9 35	. . . Saxton . . .	4 00
9 50	. . Coalmont . .	3 45
	. . Crawford . .	
10 05	. . . Dudley . . .	3 30

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Teachers' Institute at Birmingham.

A teachers' institute will be held in the Presbyterian church at Birmingham, Saturday, March 12, 1904. The program follows:

Saturday, 9.30 a. m.—Music; devotional exercises, Rev. N. B. Smith; address of welcome, President of Birmingham Council; reply, Roland Lytle; music; "Teacher's Influence," Miss Mary Baldwin, Miss Edith Buck, D. A. Gates; "Physical Training," C. L. Cox and A. L. Beck; recitation, Cora Billet; address, Prof. E. E. Houck; address, Rev. Dr. Jack; music.

Saturday, 1.30 p. m.—Music; primary reading, Miss Lulu Patton, Miss Cora Hitchings, Robert Beck; "Spirit of Discipline," James Widdowson, P. J. Cox, E. L. Grant and J. F. Chilton; recitation, Miss Margaret Nearhoof; "Letter Writing," Miss Sarah M. Gallaher, Mountain seminary; music; address, Prof. M. B. Wright; address, Prof. I. C. M. Ellenberger; duet, Misses Lola and Edith Smith.

Saturday, 7.00 p. m.—Music; exercises by school; music; address, "Environment a Factor in Education," County Superintendent J. G. Dell; music; collection to defray expenses; adjournment.

Prompt Payers.

The following subscriptions have been received at this office:

Miss Edith Wood	Feb. 3, '05
John Ripple	Dec. 26, '02
Bruce Yocum	Oct. 17, '05
Jesse E. Brumbaugh	Feb. 24, '05
Joseph H. Dell	June 20, '04
Jas. W. Henderson	Nov. 8, '04
G. D. Wood	Aug. 26, '04
I. N. Querry	Dec. 23, '04
White Shaver	Dec. 10, '04
Mrs. Amanda Dell	Feb. 1, '05
M. J. Deeter	May 26, '04
Samuel Mansbarger	Dec. 1, '04
Daniel Mansbarger	Aug. 1, '04
P. M. Hooper	Feb. 10, '05
Anderson Bowman	March 20, '04
Levi Campbell	May 25, '04
J. C. Griffin	March 5, '05
Jno. W. Fisher	Oct. 17, '04
C. M. Goodman	March 4, '04
Charles Utts	Feb. 12, '05
H. E. Dell	Feb. 20, '05

MARRIED.

DELL—TAYLOR—At the parsonage of the First M. E. church, Huntingdon, March 2, 1904, by Rev. J. H. Black, Alva S. Dell and Miss Clara M. Taylor, both of Latta Grove.

DIED.

WIRT—In McVeytown, March 1, 1904, J. R. Wirt, Esq., aged about 60 years.

HEETER—In Three Springs, March 2, 1904, Charles A. Heeter, aged about 31 years.

MOUNTAIN—In Juniata township, February 27, 1904, Miss Minnie B. Mountain, aged 28 years.

MONG—In Huntingdon, March 1, 1904, David B. Mong, of Warriorsmark, aged 85 years, 3 months and 26 days.

MILLER—In Henderson township, February 28, 1904, Mrs. John A. Miller, aged 63 years, 11 months and 1 day.

AFRICA—In Huntingdon, March 1, 1904, Andrew Jackson Africa, aged 80 years, 2 months and 8 days.

STEVENS—In Mt. Union, February 25, 1904, Blanche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Stevens, aged 4 years.

ROBLEY—In Mapleton, March 6, 1904, Susan Robley, aged 82 years, 2 months and 16 days.

EAST BROAD TOP RAILROAD.

Schedule in Effect January 11, 1904

SOUTHWARD	No. 2 a.m.	No. 4 p.m.	No. 6 a.m.	No. 8 a.m.
Mount Union . . . LEAVE	9 05	3 50	11 15	. .
Augh. Mills	9 22	4 08	11 32	. .
Shirley	9 35	4 20	11 45	. .
Orbisonia	9 50	4 35	12 00	. .
	10 00	4 45	1 15	5 30
Pogue	10 12	4 57	1 27	5 40
Three Springs	10 23	5 12	1 45	5 50
Saltillo	10 30	5 25	1 55	5 58
Cole's	11 03	5 58	2 25	6 30
Rocky Ridge	11 08	6 03	2 30	6 35
Cook's	11 18	6 13	2 40	6 45
Robertsdale . . . ARRIVE	11 30	6 25	2 50	6 55
	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.

NORTHWARD	No. 1 A.M.	No. 3 P.M.	No. 5 A.M.	No. 7 P.M.
Robertsdale . . . LEAVE	6 05	12 45	8 20	4 30
Cook's	6 15	12 55	8 30	4 40
Rocky Ridge	6 25	1 03	8 38	4 48
Cole's	6 30	1 09	8 43	4 55
Saltillo	7 00	1 38	9 12	5 25
Three Springs	7 08	1 45	9 20	5 32
Pogue	7 20	1 57	†9 32	5 42
Orbisonia	7 38	2 15	9 50	5 55
	7 45	2 20	10 00	. .
Shirley	8 00	2 35	10 15	. .
Augh. Mills	8 10	2 45	†10 25	. .
Mount Union . . ARRIVE	8 30	3 05	10 45	. .
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.

SHADE GAP BRANCH.

SOUTHWARD No. 12 p.m.	No. 10 a.m.	STATIONS	NORTHWARD No. 9 a.m.	No. 11 p.m
4 50	8 45	Lv . . Orbisonia . . Ar	9 45	5 45
4 58	8 52	. *Blacklog .	9 38	5 38
5 06	9 00	. *Cedar Rock .	9 30	5 30
5 09	9 03	. *Locke Valley.	9 27	5 27
5 15	9 10	Ar . Shade Gap . Lv	9 20	5 20
p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.

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Institute Proceedings.

Following is the report of the local institute held in Harmony church Friday night and Saturday, March 4th and 5th:

An educational meeting was held on Friday evening, consisting of recitations, songs, a quartette and addresses by Supt. J. G. Dell and Prof. Rudy.

Saturday morning session opened by singing, "Guide Me Oh Thou Great Jehovah"; invocation, Mr. J. W. Chilcote; music, "America." The first topic was then taken up for discussion—"What Should Be a Teacher's Ideal." First speaker being J. C. Coder gave a very interesting talk on the subject, showing how the schools of the country are progressing. The other speakers not being present the topic was opened for general discussion. The first one to speak on it was Prof. S. G. Rudy. We should have high ideals and aim to reach them as near as we can. A. W. Wright spoke next. The subject was then taken up by Dr. A. J. Hamilton, who gave a very instructive talk. Superintendent Dell then gave the ideals of several of our great men. The ideal of the teacher should be to make good men and women out of the boys and girls. Mr. William Steele also spoke. We have too many branches in the school for the child to receive the benefit it should. Duet, "Wandering Home," by Misses Stella Mierley and Dorris Glasgow. The next feature of the program was a recitation, "When Papa Was a Boy," by Quay Wright, followed by another recitation by Edgar Chilcote. Address by Dr. A. J. Hamilton along the line of medical aspects of an education. Showing the teacher how to tell when the child's eyes are not what they should be. He also gave a history of that dreaded disease, smallpox, and showed us the necessity of being vaccinated. Recitation by John Coder; adjournment.

Afternoon session was opened with an instrumental solo by Miss Ida Steele, followed by a recitation, "Curfew Must not Ring To-night," by Miss Lola Swope, after which Prof. S. G. Rudy gave an excellent address. Next was a recitation by Doyle Wright, followed by an instrumental solo rendered by Miss Rebecca Hamilton; recitation by Janet Glasgow. Prof. L. E. Boyer then took up the subject of the township high school, which he very ably discussed, after which Cora and Esther Pheasant gave recitations; music, "Speak Your Words of Kindness Now," followed by a recitation by Cloe Wright, after which the little folks gave a song. This was followed by a recitation, "Willie's Grave," which was very nicely recited by Miss Chloe Wright. Quartette by Misses Stella Mierley, Carrie Swope, Emma Steele and Mr. Chalmer Wright. A paper on Schoolroom Decorations was next read by Odessa Pheasant followed by a vocal solo by Miss Carrie Swope. Topic, "Correlation by Illustration in History. J. O. Smith illustrated and recited some of his own poems. Address on Patriotism by Superintendent Dell; music. A. W. Wright then moved that a vote of thanks be given to the ones who came from a distance to assist with the institute. Recitation, "The Valedictorian," by Viola Hoffman; music by the school. After which a few closing remarks were given by the chairman of the institute, Prof. I. W. J. McClain. The institute then adjourned.

E. MILLIE BOWMAN, Secretary.

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From the Punxsutawney Spirit.

"Sockless" Mussa is the name by which a large, burly Muscovite who is employed at the Punxsutawney iron work is known among his fellow laborers and the officials of the company. Mussa is a powerful man, physically, but the characteristic for which he is chiefly noted is his capacity for enduring cold weather. Notwithstanding the extraordinary rigors of the present winter, Mussa, who is an outside laborer, has never been known to "take to the tall timber" or seek shelter from the biting breezes. During the intensely cold weather of the past two months, when his fellow laborers, who were in the habit of protecting themselves from head to foot with the warmest clothing they could procure, would be found huddled about a fire whenever the opportunity presented itself, "Sockless" Mussa remained outside, loitering around the yard, or smoking his pipe under the the trussels. While other men complain of frosted noses and nipped ears, and wallop themselves with their arms to keep the blood circulating, he tosses pig iron billets bare-handed. Not at any time during the winter has he wore either ear muffs, underwear or stockings, and, as in the case of a famous Kansan, it is on account of this latter trait that the soubriquet of "Sockless" Mussa is applied to him. It is the opinion of those who have witnessed Mussa's power to endure that he would feel comfortable sitting in the shade of the north pole.

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HUNDREDS ARE NOW HOMELESS

Flames Swept Over Comanche and Kiowa Counties, Devastating 75,000 Acres of Government, Military and Timber Reserve—Loss About $500,000—Kansas Towns Suffer.

Lawton, Oklahoma. — Reports received here indicate that five persons have been burned to death and three thousand square miles of territory in Kiowa and Comanche Counties swept by prairie fires. Hundreds of people are homeless, and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss owing to the wide extent of country affected.

At Hobart, the county seat of Kiowa County, the fire approached from the east, destroying the stables and fifteen race horses, fifteen residences, two business houses, and various small buildings. Spreading to the southwest, the fire swept 75,000 acres of Government, military and timber reserve and Indian school reserve, destroying several Indian houses and forty head of Government cattle.

Spreading westward, the flames covered miles of homestead district, destroying houses, barns and stock. It was in this district that five persons are reported to have perished in attempting to protect their property. Among the dead are "Dock" and John Harmon, brothers; A. N. Crawford, and Mrs. Henderson, a widow. Mrs. Henderson's two daughters are badly burned and one may die.

A report has been received at Fort Sill that an entire Apache Indian village was swept clean.

The soldiers at Fort Sill were ordered out to fight the flames, and rendered great assistance.

At Anadarko many farm buildings were burned. No lives are reported lost, but there were numerous narrow escapes. Women and children, scantily clad, fled to plowed ground, while the men remained to fight the flames, in an endeavor to save property.

The damage by wind extends over seven counties in the southwest. The total losses from fire and storm are estimated at about $500,000. Hastings, Olustee, Leger, Walter, Granite, Elk City, Cache, Temple, Snyder, Willow, Bloomington, Sayre and Mountain Park all report damage both in town and the surrounding country by wind. Scores of people are suffering from burns and broken legs or arms.

Salina, Kansas.—Reports are being received of many serious prairie fires, fanned by the high wind in this section and west of here. At Hill City, in the northwestern part of the State, the court house, jail, a lumber yard and fifty residences are reported destroyed, and one woman is said to have been burned to death. Wires to Hill City are down, and details are lacking.

Instances of farmers being caught with their teams in the prairie fires and of many persons being seriously burned are numerous.

BALTIMORE GROWS IMPATIENT.

Legislature and Mayor Blamed for Tardiness in Rebuilding Operations.

Baltimore, Md.—The tardiness of the Legislature in acting upon the burned district Commission bill has aroused intense indignation here. The bill to repeal the tax upon mortgages is assured of passage. This relief will encourage many business men to rebuild. The consensus of public sentiment is that there has been too much talk and too little action.

Many citizens hold the Mayor responsible for not adopting a vigorous policy in the beginning and pushing it regardless of the protests made by various parties. Property owners and business men are impatiently awaiting the signal to begin rebuilding in the burned out section. Millions of dollars that will be expended among the people of Baltimore, and will help relieve whatever distress may develop, are lying idle in banks.

MACEDONIANS AGAINST SERVIA.

Mean to Avenge Arrest of Leaders—New Albanian Rising.

Vienna, Austria.—It is reported from Belgrade, Servia, that the Government has ordered the arrest of several Macedonian revolutionists in consequence of an insurgent attempt to cross the frontier. The revolutionary leaders, incensed, held a secret meeting, and decided to retaliate on the Servian population in Macedonia.

In a dispatch from Salonica, European Turkey, a correspondent says a fresh insurrection has broken out in Albania. The districts of Mitrovitza and Ipek are in open revolt, and the Turkish authorities appear to be paralyzed.

CUT HIS THROAT TO TEACH HIM.

Man Nearly Beheads Boy in Instructing Lad in Manners.

Stamford, Conn. — Pasquale Russo tried to cut the head off Antonio Bombardiero here "just to teach him manners." Russo is forty, Bombardiero fifteen, and they live in the same lodging house. The man sprang upon the boy without warning and slashed him fearfully with a stiletto.

CALL FOR FEDERAL MONEY

Secretary Shaw Makes Request on Banks For Government Deposits.

Funds to Be Used For the Payment of the $40,000,000 Purchase of Canal Property From Panama Company.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Shaw issued the expected call on the Federal depository banks in New York City for a percentage of their deposits of Government moneys to enable the United States to pay over to the Republic of Panama $10,000,000 on account of the Panama Canal.

The New York national banks which are Government depositories are to be called on for twenty per cent. of the Federal moneys in their possession on or before March 25.

The Secretary also issued a call for the depository banks in other parts of the country to turn over to certain intermediary banks in New York for the use of the Government twenty per cent. of the Federal moneys which they have on deposit. These funds are to be used, with current funds in the Treasury, for the payment of the $40,000,000 purchase of canal property rights from the new Panama Canal Company of France. The moneys are to be turned in by these outside banks on or before March 25.

The Panama Government asked several days ago that payment be made at once of the $10,000,000 to which the republic was entitled under the treaty, as the money was needed very badly.

About $5,000,000 of the $40,000,000 to be paid to the canal company will remain in this country. It is said that half of it will cover legal fees. The Panama Republic has contracted obligations in New York amounting to about a million dollars, and this will be paid out of the bonus. Eight million dollars approximately is to be invested by the Panama Republic in Government bonds in this country, so that only $1,000,000 of the $10,000,000 is likely to leave the United States.

SIGHT DROVE HER INSANE.

School Teacher Raving Maniac From Seeing Pupils Whipped.

Indianapolis, Ind. — Miss Bertha Montgomery, nineteen years old, a popular teacher in the public schools at Owensville, is hopelessly insane on account of having stood by and watched the principal of the school whip thirty of her pupils.

Miss Montgomery's pupils have been unmanageable, and the principal whipped them one at a time. Being of an extremely nervous disposition, Miss Montgomery was much wrought up by the sight, and when the principal had finished his job, she was walking the floor pulling her hair. Within a few moments she was a raving maniac.

The principal called three of the other men teachers and it was all they could do to get her home. Later she was sent to the Evansville Insane Asylum.

$75,000 FOR LIQUOR SELLING.

Texas Man May Have Cumulative Sentence of Sixty-three Years.

Dallas, Texas.—The Grand Jury of Bell County is making a fierce crusade against violation of the State option law, which is in operation in that county. More than 2300 indictments have been returned against illicit liquor sellers, and of the total number 1147 bills are against one man, Plimpton Morgan.

In each conviction he is being assessed money penalties amounting to $65, making the total penalties approximate $75,000. In addition to the fines, his cumulative sentences reach a total of more than sixty-thre years' imprisonment. Unless the Governor shall pardon him, Morgan will be in prison for life.

BANDED TO BURN PROPERTY.

Five Men Arrested in Utah Charged With Arson.

Salt Lake, Utah.—Charged with arson and being members of a gang organized to burn business property to secure insurance money, the police have taken into custody August Wilmer, Alexander Jennings, John H. Holliman and Frank Wilson.

J. E. Colter, a prominent merchant of Lehi, Utah, is under arrest there on a similar charge. He is accused of being the financial backer of the gang, having instigated plots.

Missing Rich Woman Ends Life.

The body of Mrs. C. C. Holmes, the wealthy Boston widow who so mysteriously disappeared from her hotel in Boston, Mass., is probably beneath the waters of Marblehead Harbor, under the great ice cakes now grinding each other where the yacht squadrons anchor in summer. On a snowbank on the shore was found a black velvet bag of the telescope variety. In the latter were several cards marked Mrs. C. C Holmes.

Bank Cashier Sentenced.

John P. Cooper, former cashier of the Citizens' National Bank, of McGregor, Texas, recently closed by the national bank examiner, was convicted of embezzlement. He got the minimum penalty, five years in the penitentiary.

C. C. Whitney Dies in Coach.

Charles Carroll Whitney, Secretary of the New York Life Insurance Company, died in a coach on the way to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Surveying Then and Now.

It is now related of Washington, that he received $7.50 a day for doing a little land surveying for Lord Fairfax down in Rappahannock County, Va. Incredible! That is equal to $195 a month. Living was dirt cheap those days and the purchasing power of money far greater than it is to-day. The best surveyors in these times are a glut in the market at $150. Thousands of able men are working with transits for $100 a month.—New York Press.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free Dr. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

Reeder—"Scott said a clever thing to-day; said that luck is a good bit like lightning; for it seldom strikes twice in the same place." Heeder—"Yes, and as a rule neither of them needs to."—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

"Gracious," sighed Mr. De Spepsey, "I wish I could acquire an appetite." "For goodness' sake!" exclaimed his wife, "what do you want with an appetite? It would only give you more dyspepsia."—Philadelphia Press.

Salzer's Home Builder Corn.

So named because 50 acres produced so heavily, that its proceeds built a lovely home. See Salzer's catalog. Yielded in 1903 in Ind. 157 bu., Ohio 160 bu., Tenn. 98 bu., and in Mich. 220 bu. per acre. You can beat this record in 1904.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE YIELDS PER ACRE?

120 bu. Beardless Barley per acre.
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1,000 bu. Pedigree Potatoes per acre.
14 tons of rich Billion Dollar Grass Hay.
60,000 lbs. Victoria Rape for sheep—per A.
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Now, such yields you can have, Mr. Farmer, in 1904, if you will plant Salzer's seeds. [A.C.L.]

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Some men get so tired doing nothing that they can't do any kind of work.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle

An attempt to get something for nothing parts many a fool from his money.

Billion Dollar Grass and Alfalfa.

When we introduced Billion Dollar Grass three years ago, little did we dream it would be the most talked of grass in America, the biggest, quick, hay producer on earth, but this has come to pass.

Agr. Editors wrote about it, Agr. College Professors lectured about it, Agr. Institute Orators talked about it, while in the farm home by the quiet fireside, in the corner grocery, in the village postoffice, at the creamery, at the depot, in fact wherever farmers gathered, Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass, that wonderful grass, good for 5 to 14 tons per acre, and lots of pasture besides, is always a theme worthy of the farmer's voice.

A. Walford, Westlore Farms, Pa., writes: "I have 60 acres in Salzer's Alfalfa Clover. It is immense. I cut three crops this season and have lots of pasture besides."

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Trying to keep up appearances pulls some men down.

H. H. GREEN'S SONS, of Atlanta, Ga., are the only successful Dropsy Specialists in the world. See their liberal offer in advertisement in another column of this paper.

A man naturally believes in the survival of the fittest as long as he lives.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'BRIEN, 322 Third Avenue, N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

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This great offer is made in order to induce you to try their warranted seeds—for when you once plant them you will grow no others, and

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A man in reduced circumstances isn't a woman's idea of a bargain.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle, except green and purple.

BIG HOTEL COLLAPSES

Many Men Crushed to Death Under Wreckage.

ROAR HEARD FOR BLOCKS AWAY

The Unfinished Darlington Building Falls Under Its Own Weight—Huge Mass of Steel Smashes Into Dining Room of Adjoining House and Kills Mrs. Storrs, a Guest, at Luncheon.

New York City.—The giant steel skeleton of the Darlington Apartment Hotel, which for several months has been in process of erection on the north side of Forty-six street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, collapsed suddenly without warning, carrying with it nearly every one of the workmen engaged on the ten stories that had been raised.

Emergency Contractor Dunn said his men had discovered seven bodies in the sub-cellar on the west side of the building, and that two more were known to be pinned under the wreckage on the east side.

The crash came with the suddenness of an explosion, but the mighty roar of the hundreds of tons of falling metal lasted for several seconds. Shrieks and groans rose through the swirling dust that enveloped the wreckage. As the cloud slowly settled it was seen that the buildings on all sides had been greatly damage, most of all the Patterson, a ten-story apartment hotel at 58 and 60 West Forty-seventh street, immediately in the rear, where the dining room had been wrecked by the crashing steel, and Mrs. Frank L. Storrs, of Rye, N. Y., a transient guest, had been killed as she sat at luncheon in an alcove.

For many blocks in all directions the appalling roar of the building's fall drowned the noises of the city streets, and people rushed headlong from their homes, thinking their own walls were tumbling about their ears.

There were no explosions to jar the structure. The steel skeleton, 149 feet in height, fell of its own weight and telescoped into a heap of broken and twisted steel girders and fragments of crumbled masonry in the cellar. It went down so straight that hardly a brick fell into the street, and there was very little of the debris on the sidewalk. But from the bottom of the cellar the rubbish was piled up to the level of the second-story windows of the adjoining houses.

FEDERAL BANK LOANS.

Favorable Report on the Measure to Take Real Estate as Security.

Washington, D. C.—The House Committee on Banking and Currency authorized a favorable report upon the bill introduced by Representative Lewis (Dem., Ga.) to empower national banks to make loans upon real estate to the amount of twenty-five per cent. of their capital stock and fifty per cent. of a fair assessed valuation of property, exclusive of improvements.

The vote of the committee to report the bill favorably was unanimous. The measure is a marked departure from the powers now conferred upon banking corporations, and is one which Mr. Lewis, who is a member of the committee, has been advocating for many years.

MAN HELD FOR RANSOM.

Brother of Railroad Official Kidnaped in Mexico.

Houston, Texas.—Mexican brigands kidnaped Dan Cushing, brother of E. B. Cushing, engineer of maintenance on the Southern Pacific Railroad. They forced him to write a note saying that a ransom of $10,000 was demanded for his life. It is said that the money must be placed on the steps of the Mexican schoolhouse in Del Rio.

The note was found tacked to the door of Cushing's cabin at Devil's River. His cabin is two miles from the Mexican and three miles from any other habitation. He is thirty-two years old and married.

NEW ISLE OF PINES TREATY.

Confirms Cuba in Her Title to the Disputed Territory.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Hay and Senor Quesada, the Cuban Minister, signed a treaty confirming Cuba in the title to the Isle of Pines.

To guard against a lapse in the Senate, as was the case with a previous convention, the treaty signed was framed purposely by the State Department without the designation of any special period of time within which ratification must be exchanged. The new treaty will be sent immediately to the Senate. It must go also to Havana to be acted upon by the Cuban Senate.

World's Merchant Marine.

The Bureau of Commerce and Labor has published a table showing the division of the world's merchant marine among the several nations. Great Britain has 5929 steamers of 100 tons and over, Germany 1193 and the United States 846. The gross tonnage of these vessels are: Great Britain, 13,966,972 tons; Germany, 2,767,463 and the United States 1,610,466.

Strikers Arrested.

Aided by a detachment of militia, Sheriff Rutan, at Telluride, Col., arrested thirty-seven striking miners.

NOTED CHARACTER DEAD

Noah Raby Claimed He Was Oldest Man in the World.

He Lived to Be Within One Month of One Hundred and Thirty-six Years—His Father Was an Indian.

New Brunswick, N. J.—Noah Raby is dead. Just before he entered the Piscataway poorhouse Noah established his age at 100. His proofs as to the date of his birth were not such as would be accepted by a court; but they satisfied him and all who listened to him. He has lived within one month of thirty-six years since then, and his death will be entered on the county records as having occurred in his 136th year.

Although totally blind, shriveled and shrunken, and with hardly any life in him, he retained his memory until within a few months ago, when he lost all recollection of the past and apparently was merely able to mumble to himself.

"Uncle Noah," when he told the story of his life to visitors, gave the Gates County Court House, at Eatontown, N. C., as his birthplace, and said his father was an Indian and his mother a white woman. He never attended school. He learned to read a little, but never to write.

When he was seven years old he was apprenticed to a farmer and stayed with him until he was twenty-one. Then he became a hired man on the farm of "Widow" Penelope Parker, in his home county. Later he was employed by her step-daughter, Miss Sarah Parker.

"I fell in love with Miss Sarah," he would say, "but I thought she would not have me, and so I left her farm and went to sea for awhile. When I came back she had married her overseer. She asked me why I went and when I told her she said I ought to be ashamed of myself for having such a faint heart."

Noah's birthdays were the occasion for great celebrations. Visitors would come to the poor farm by the score from miles around. For the last ten or twelve years of his life he slept sitting in an old rocking chair, because he was afraid that by lying down he might have a rush of blood to his head and succumb that way.

MURDER ENDS LICENSE VICTORY

After Trying to Kill Wife Madman Shoots a Woman and Child.

Cumberland, Md.—Intoxicated as the result of election excitement, where, at Elkins, W. Va., a bitter contest was waged between the license and the anti-license people, the former winning, Louis Tourville, forty-five years old, after an unsuccessful attempt to murder his wife, went to the house of his next door neighbor and shot down Elizabeth Moyer, wife of J. H. Moyer.

He then shot and killed the infant son of Mrs. Moyer, two years old.

Tourville was pursued by a crowd. There were cries of "Lynch him!" and when Tourville found he was hemmed in he shot and killed himself. It is believed he thought his wife, who had eluded him, was concealed in the Moyer home, and, being like a raving maniac from drink, he gave vent to his spirit of murder.

GAINS FOR NO LICENSE.

Reaction in Vermont After One Year's Liquor Selling Experience.

Burlington, Vt. — Returns received from all parts of the State at the headquarters of the Vermont Anti-Saloon League indicates a decided change in the sentiment toward license in the past year. Out of sixty towns that voted for license last year only twenty-one voted for it this year. There is only one town in the State that voted no license last year that is in the license column this year.

Four entire counties have voted no license. There was only one county to so vote last year.

This city voted for license by a narrow majority, as did St. Albans, Vergennes, Montpelier, Barre and Brattleboro. This city re-elected Mayor Burke (Dem.).

PRESIDENT'S SALARY $75,000.

Bill Gives Vice-President $15,000, Speaker $12,000, Members $8000.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Gallinger introduced a bill increasing the salaries of the executive officers of the Government and also of Senators and members of the House of Representatives.

The bill fixes the following scale: President, $75,000; Vice-President, $15,000; Speaker of the House of Representatives, $12,000; members of the Cabinet, $15,000 each; Senators and members of the House, $8000 each.

The bill provides that the new salaries shall take effect March 4, 1905.

Dick Elected to Succeed Hanna.

General Charles F. Dick, Congressman from the Akron District, Ohio, was elected formally United States Senator, to succeed the late Marcus A. Hanna. The houses of the General Assembly voted separately, the ballot standing: House, 87 to 21; Senate, 27 to 4. The Democrats unanimously supported John H. Clarke, of Cleveland.

Robbers Burn Town.

In an endeavor to cover up the attempted robbery of the Camden Bank, a branch of the Baltimore Trust Company, at Camden, Del., robbers started a fire which did about $20,000 damage.

HOW TWO BEAUTIFUL WOMEN ESCAPED DREAD CATARRH BY USE OF PE-RU-NA.

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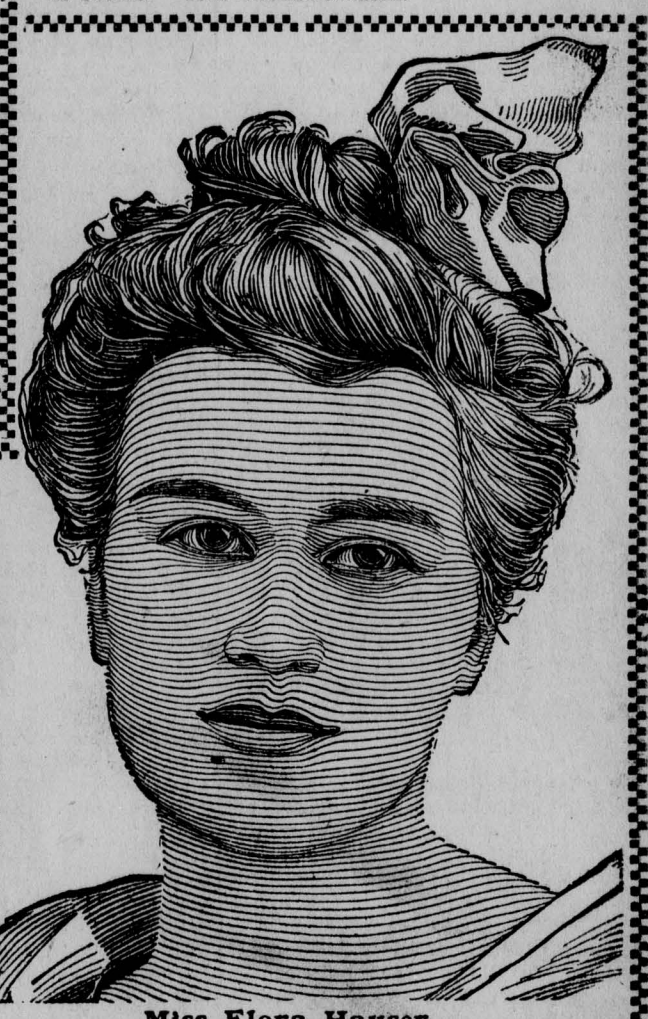
Miss Amanda Johnson, Fairchild, Wis., writes: "I write to tell you how much Peruna benefited me. For a number of years I had pain in my head around my eyes, and I thought it was because my eyes needed treatment, so I went to an oculist and had glasses fitted to my eyes and wore them for some time, but felt no relief whatever. In fact, I felt worse than before, and came to the conclusion that the trouble was not with my eyes, but with my head and that it must be catarrh. As so many of my friends had used Peruna with benefit for this trouble, I thought I would try it. I was not sorry that I did so, for in a short time I began to improve, and in four weeks my eyes were in splendid condition, my general health was much improved and all the catarrh of the head was gone. I was glad to get rid of this trouble, and am glad to endorse such a good medicine as Peruna."—Miss Amanda Johnson.



Miss Flora Hauser.

No Woman Afflicted With Catarrh Can Be Either Beautiful or Attractive.

Miss Flora Hauser, 1032 S. New Jersey street, Indianapolis, Ind., writes: *"I think I must have been troubled with catarrh ever since I was very young, aggravated each time I caught a cold. This did not prove sufficiently serious to be obnoxious until last winter. Then my head and nose were so stopped up that I felt I must do something. Peruna was recommended to me by a friend. I used it for four weeks, and found to my relief that it cured me. I have not had a bit of trouble since. My head is clear, and I can safely affirm that Peruna cured me."—Miss Flora Hauser.*

Hundreds of Women Cured by Pe-ru-na of Annoying Catarrh.

DR. HARTMAN has probably done more than any other physician toward popularizing a means of escape from the facial deformities, such as watery eyes, twisted nose, offensive breath, dry cracked lips, due to the ravaging effects of catarrh.

He has made chronic catarrh a life-long study. His remedy, popularly known as Peruna, is the most famous remedy for catarrh in existence.

Probably there is not a man or woman, boy or girl, within the bounds of the United States that has not heard of Peruna. By far the largest majority have used Peruna.

The multitude of people that have been cured of chronic catarrh by using Peruna can never be known.

Many a girl has regained her faded beauty, many a matron has lengthened the days of her comely appearance by using Peruna.

Peruna produces clean mucous membranes, the basis of facial symmetry and a perfect complexion.

The women have not been slow to discover that a course of Peruna will do more toward restoring youthful beauty than all the devices known to science.

While it is true that Peruna cures catarrh wherever located, yet it is advisable for everyone to use Peruna as a preventive and not wait until catarrh has fastened itself in some part of the system.

Peruna acts quickly and beneficially on the inflamed mucous membranes lining the different organs of the body. Thus it will cure catarrh wherever located.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning March 13.

Topic.—Appetites that unmake men.—Dan. v, 1-5, 25-28.

It has been calculated that over 90 per cent of men who start out in a business career in life fail in it some time and that the vast majority of men who live to be threescore years and ten are at that age dependent upon some one else. This is a sad record. Failure in business, failure in self support, are not pleasant experiences, and yet there are failures that are even worse than these. Many men who do not fail in business are nevertheless unmade men, and, taken together with all others who are unmade morally and spiritually, they compose a great host of men. And what is sadder in life than an unmade man, the failure of one who possessed talent and opportunity and yet by yielding to some base appetite unmakes himself—a Brutus, unmade by inordinate ambition; a Mark Antony, unmade by sensuality; a Belshazzar, unmade by an inordinate desire for show and vainglory; a Napoleon, unmade by gluttony!

The appetites that unmake men are not a few. They are intemperance, lust, gluttony, ambition, the greed for gold and many others. Nor is it the appetite itself that is at fault, but the inordinate and immoderate development and exercise of it. Every appetite of life has its legitimate place and purpose, but if it be abused in many cases it leads to ruin and destruction. When God looked upon the world which He had made His verdict upon it was that it was very good, and the world is still good today if we use it properly. It is not the use of the world that unmakes men, but the abuse of it. It is one of the sad facts of life that that which is good may be abused and become an evil. Proper ambition is most worthy, and without it success in life is highly improbable. But the pathway of life is strewn with the wrecked lives of an inordinate ambition. The desire for wealth is not of itself a fault, but when greed becomes a god the better self of the man is soon unmade. The physical appetites play an important part in our lives when properly controlled, but when they are abused, when they are debased into gluttony, intemperance and lust, how soon they unmake the man.

When it comes to the appetites, therefore, the problem to solve is how to use them and not abuse them, how to control them instead of having them control us, how to have their influence in making us what we should be rather than in unmaking us, and this is no light problem. To solve it successfully we need the wisdom and grace of God as well as the exercise of our best care, judgment and power of will. Constant carefulness should be our attitude. Some things, such as intemperance, should be guarded against altogether. Total abstinence is the only safeguard against strong drink. In other cases, where proper indulgence of the appetite is necessary, we must by divine and personal power keep ourselves masters of the situation. Every appetite must be held firmly in hand. Therefore let us "watch and pray that we enter not into temptation."

BIBLE READINGS.

Gen. xix, 24-26; II Sam. xv, 1-6, with II Sam. xviii, 9-15; Ps. i, 1-6; Prov. iii, 1-7; xx, 1; xxiii, 1-5; 20, 21, 29-32; Matt. vi, 24; Gal. v, 19-26.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

March 13: "Appetites That Unmake Men."—Dan. v, 1-5; 25-28.

The physical appetites are among our most precious possessions. Hunger and thirst have more to do with keeping us in health than is usually realized. But for the constant guard they keep it would be next to an impossibility to regulate the supply of nutriment needed to maintain the body in strength and to know the proper times when it should be furnished. No amount of reasoning ever greatly improves on the native regulative instinct which acts independently of the rational powers.

Our great danger lies in another direction. The satisfaction of these cravings is always pleasing. When in eating we not only satisfy hunger, but also find some foods particularly good to the taste, there will come an impulse to eat such things simply because they taste good regardless of the fact that we are not hungry for food or that such things may not at that particular time be the best food for giving the needed strength. Such eating is not good. It is for gratification of taste and not to satisfy hunger. It will result in derangement of digestion and induce disease if persisted in and also has a moral effect in weakening the will power and putting the control of life under the power of physical cravings instead of under direction of highest reason. It may grow into vice which will wreck all virtue and leave soul and body ruined forever.

The same holds true of thirst and every other appetite of the body.

So of every craving of mind. All are to have their proper place and scope, but none are to usurp control and be allowed gratification simply for the sake of the agreeable sensation. The test of their right is not the good feeling produced. That is only incidental.

Belshazzar was not in fault because he drank and ate, nor because he made a banquet feast to his lords. Such things have their time and purpose. But when a hostile army is at the gates of the capital it is no time for feasting. His place was with his soldiers, and his duty was the defense of his people.

Not all this story lies on the surface. The king not merely banquets at an inopportune time, debauching himself and all the leaders on whom the safety of his empire depended, but his revelry is in honor of the gods of gold, silver, brass, iron, wood and stone. They put dependence on the strength of their walls and the material resources of their stronghold. This is the meaning of their praise of gross, material things. As if this was not enough, he will show still further his contempt for the spiritual powers worshiped by his besiegers by desecrating the dedicated vessels of Jehovah, who is, above all others, the God who is to be worshiped as Spirit. It is a mad, wild orgy; a drunken, licentious, impious defiance of the God who rules the spirits of men. It was the dethronement of reason and the installation of brute lust and insane passion. It proclaimed the disregard of all rights and duties. The king is no longer leader in government and worship, but despicable prey of vilest passions. His appetites have unmanned him. He has overthrown the kingdom from within, and nothing can prevent the enemy from without entering and ruling. Gods of gold and silver cannot stand against men who worship the God of spirit.

This is a picture to be hung on the world's walls of memory. "Numbered, numbered, weighed, divided." No prophet who serves the gods of gold and silver can read the inscription. To all Daniels it is clear as one's native speech.

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Tuesday, March 29, 1904,

The convention will convene at 10.30 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of nominating

One candidate for Congress.
One candidate for President Judge.
One candidate for State Senate.
Two candidate for Assembly.
One candidate for Director of the Poor.
One candidate for Coroner.
One candidate for Delegate to the National Convention.
Two candidates for Delegates to the State Convention.
Delegates to the County Convention will be elected by ballot.

Each candidate must report to the County Chairman and pay his assessment for expenses on or before March 16, 1904, otherwise his name will not appear on the ticket, nor will he be eligible for nomination before the Convention. Candidates names will appear on the ticket in the order of their registration.

The representation will be as follows:

Alexandria	2	North Dublin	2
Ardenheim	2	North Porter	2
Barree	2	North Tell	2
Birmingham	2	Oneida	2
Broad Top City	2	Orbisonia	3
Carbon	2	Penn	2
Calvin	2	Petersburg	2
Cass	3	Puttstown	2
Cassville	2	Rockhill	2
Clay	2	Robertsdale	2
Coalmont	2	Saltillo	2
Cromwell	3	Shade Gap	2
Dudley	2	Shirleysburg	2
Franklin	2	Shirley	2
Grantsville	2	smithfield	2
Greenwood Furnace	2	South Brady	2
Henderson	2	South Dublin	2
Hill Valley	2	South Porter	3
Hopewell	2	South Tell	2
Hunt'gd'n 1st wd	3	South Warriorsmark	2
2d ward	4	Spruce Creek	2
3d ward	4	Springfield	4
4th ward	4	Three Springs	2
Jackson	2	Tod	3
Juniata	2	Union	2
Lincoln	2	Valley Point	2
Logan	2	Walker	2
Mapleton	2	Warriorsmark	3
Marklesburg	2	West	2
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Morris	2	Total	144
Mount Union	5	Necessary to nominate	73
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For All.

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